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STUDENTS PARALYSE RAILWAY

LIVELY SCENE IN PEIPING

PEIPING, TO-DAY.

LIVELY SCENES ARE BEING WITNESSED AT THE RAILWAY JUNCTION HERE WHERE SOME FIVE HUNDRED STUDENTS, INCLUDING ABOUT A HUNDRED GIRL STUDENTS, HAVE TAKEN POSSESSION.

No serious disturbance has thus far occurred as the authorities have chosen not to take any drastic action against the students, but the railway schedules are being seriously interfered with.

The invasion was begun by the students in an effort to persuade the railway authorities to give them free passage to Nanking to present eight demands to the Government.

Four Inches Of Rain Since Monday Night

Bringing the total rainfall for approximately 30 hours to four inches, 1.95 inches were registered at the Royal Observatory in the 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day. The total for the year is now 13.57 inches as against an average of 16.98 inches. The maximum temperature yesterday was 81 degrees and the minimum last night 79 degrees.

but the railway refused to take them, so they have retaliated by taking possession of the railway station.

BLUE EXPRESS HELD UP

Last evening, the students occupied the Shanghai-bound Blue Express, which was due to leave Peiping at 5.55 p.m. and they remained in occupation all night, the train failing to leave.

This morning, they boarded the Peiping-Pukow train due to leave at 8 a.m. which was also thereby held up.

NO INTERFERENCE

Police are standing by but have not yet interfered with the students, whose eight demands which they wish to present to the National Government, included the retention of Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang as Chancellor of the North-Eastern University, to which they all belong, the abandonment of the plan to remove the institution to Kaifeng and the restoration of Nanking's monthly grant of \$25,000.—Reuter.

Acid Test For Pacific Pact Plan

Japan's Policy In China

London, To-day.

"It has been clear since the provisions of the Washington Treaty expired that a fresh, and if possible, stronger foundation for international relations in the Pacific must be found," declares "The Times" in a leading article this morning.

"Any project along these lines," the journal continues, "must to a great extent stand or fall by the measure to which and the spirit in which Japan is prepared to co-operate."

"In this respect, the omens are at the moment auspicious."

"Mr. Sato's speech to the prefectural governors on May 17 was temperate in tone and reiterated the note of friendship for Great Britain."

"China is a vitally interested and important party and would have no cause to stand aloof if her rights and responsibilities as principal were fully acknowledged, and the network of non-aggression pacts, to be adequately comprehensive, must presumably include Russia."

SINO-JAPANESE FACTOR

"A round table at which Japan, China and the U.S.S.R. were amicable neighbours, may not seem to-day a very likely conversation piece, but it is not to be ruled out as a permanent impossibility."

"Yet, given all the goodwill possible, the determining factor in a Far Eastern settlement, as Japanese statesmen have been more than ready to acknowledge of late, is the nature of the relations between the two great Oriental neighbours—in short, the object of Japanese policy in, and towards, China."

"For British and American opinion alike this is the acid test, not merely as a matter of sentiment, powerful as that is, but because it would in practice be impossible to devise such a system as Mr. J. A. Lyons (the Australian Premier) propounded, unless it were such as to re-establish mutual confidence between China and Japan."—Reuter.

BRITISH STAKE IN CHINA

WARNING BY MR. CHANG SU-LEE

LONDON, TO-DAY.

"BRITAIN'S COMMERCIAL POSITION IN THE FAR EAST IS MORE BOUND TO THE FATE OF CHINA'S EXISTENCE AS A NATION THAN TO JAPAN, WHO HAS BEEN PURSUING A POLICY OF PROGRESSIVE SUBJECTION OF CHINA AND, WITH IT, ULTIMATE ABOLITION OF TRADING PRIVILEGES OF ALL FRIENDLY NATIONS."

So says the Warden of the Chinese Institute, Mr. Chang Su-lee, in a letter to "The Times" this morning.

"What is vitally at stake now," he continues, "is not only the jeopardy of traders' opportunities but any chance to trade at all in China."

"The more China's undeniable claim to her territory and its control politically and economically comes to the British mind, the greater are the chances of preserving those interests in China which are so dear to the British heart."

"Apart from this basis, no understanding between Japan and Great Britain can contribute to the stabilisation of international relations in Asia or add any security to present British interests."—Reuter.

DISASTER VICTIMS CREMATED

In all, 21 bodies, eighteen of them Japanese, have been recovered in connection with the Dojima Maru launch explosion disaster.

Cremation ceremonies were carried out this afternoon, all the high officials of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha attending.

Recovery of the wreck of the Dojima Maru has enabled an examination of her boiler. The evidence is taken to confirm definitely the belief that the disaster was caused by a boiler explosion, though the boiler is to be submitted to the expert examination of Mr. T. E. Jackson, the Government Marine Surveyor.

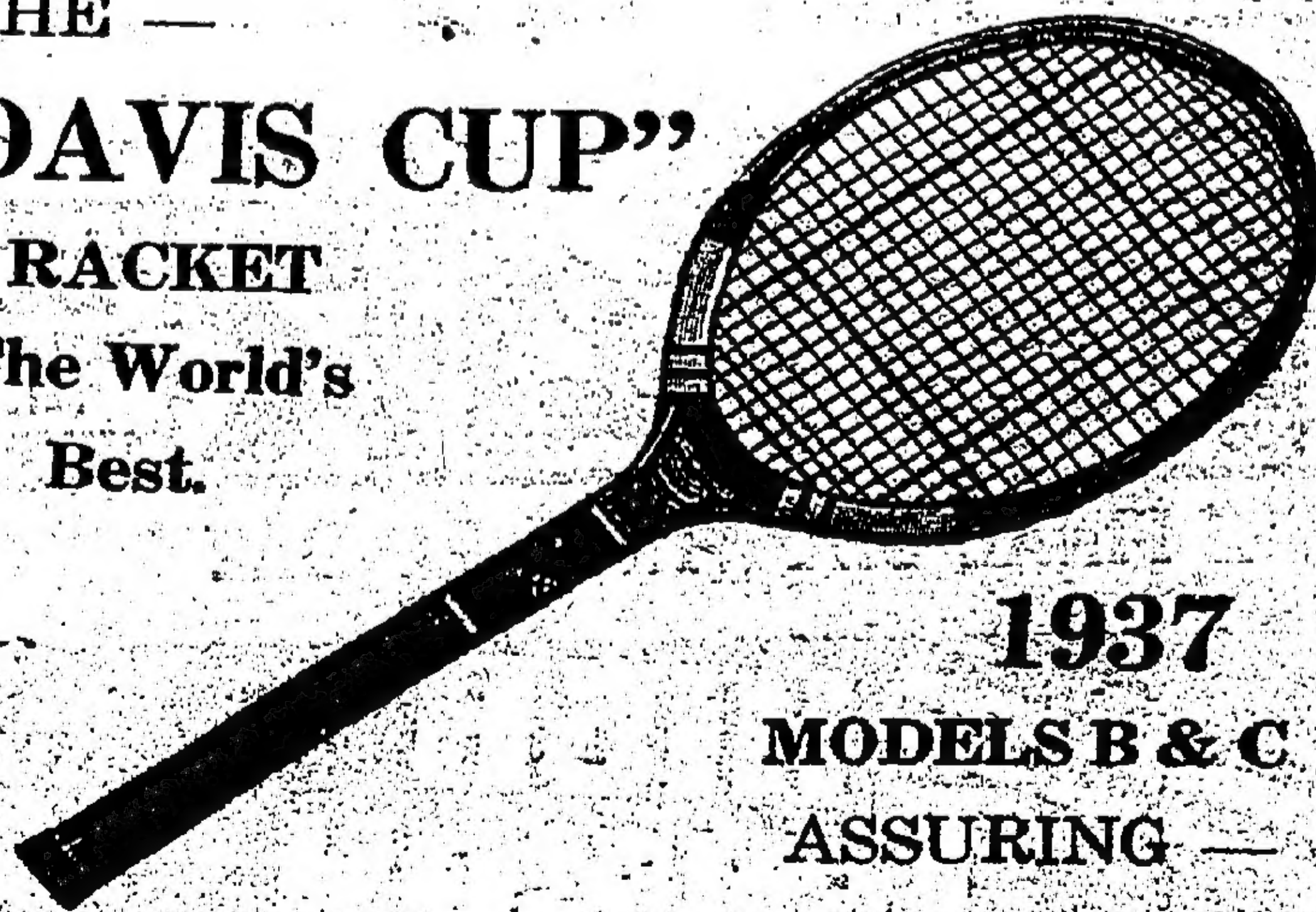
A huge hole was torn in one side of the boiler, with the ragged edges thrust outwards. The interior tubes were not burst. The body of the engineer was found in the wreck of the launch.

Search for others missing, eleven or twelve, is continuing, but many of the bodies of these victims will probably never be found or identifiable.

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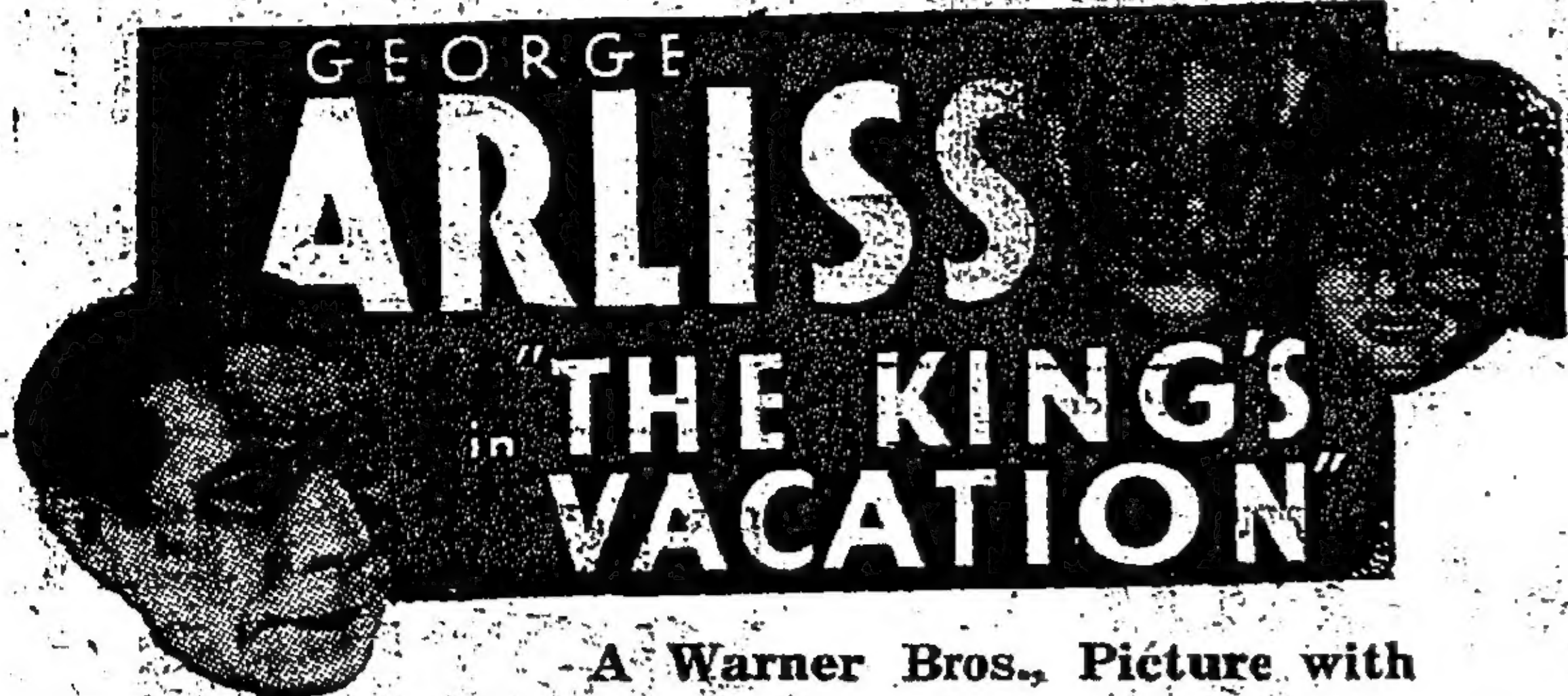
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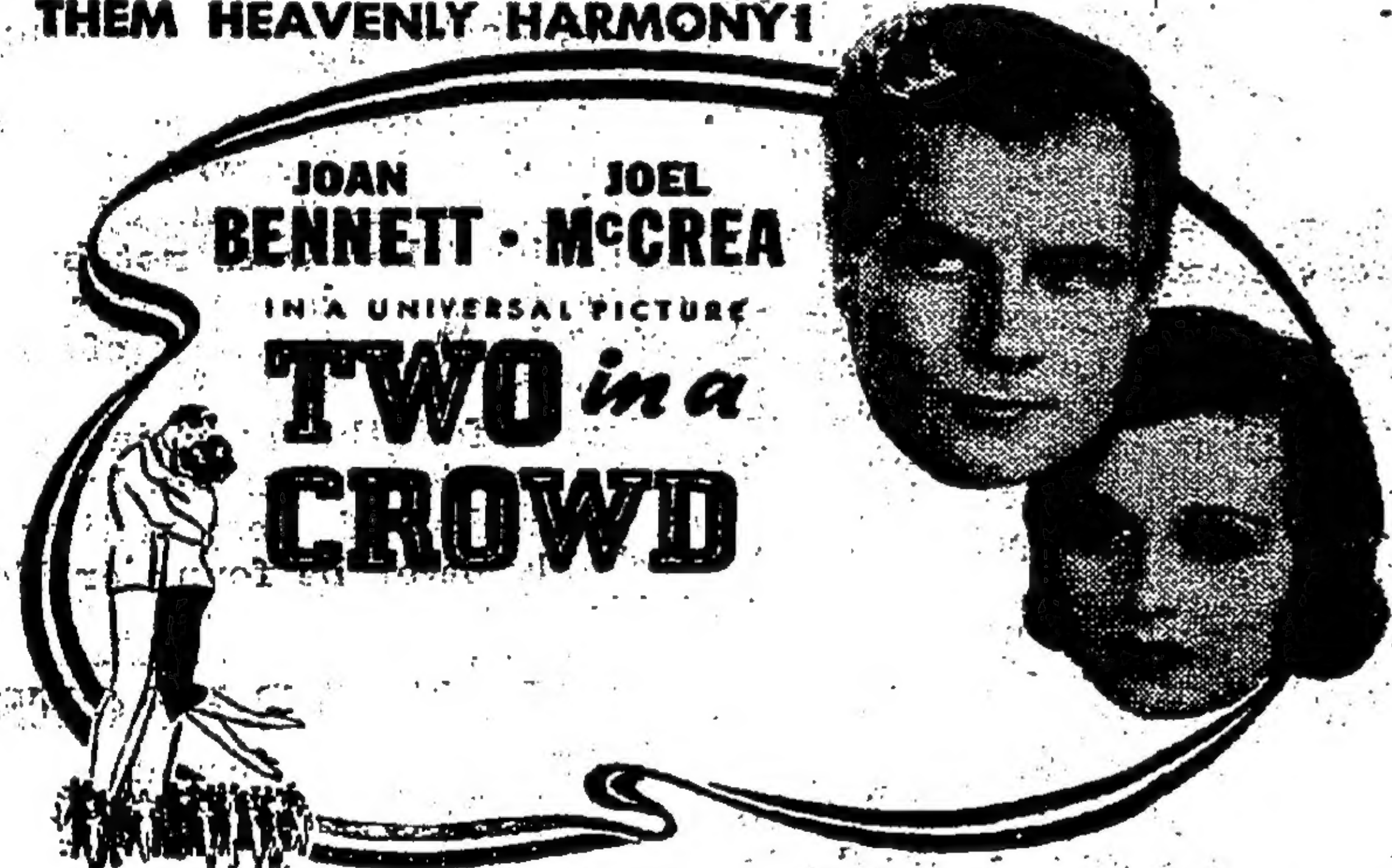
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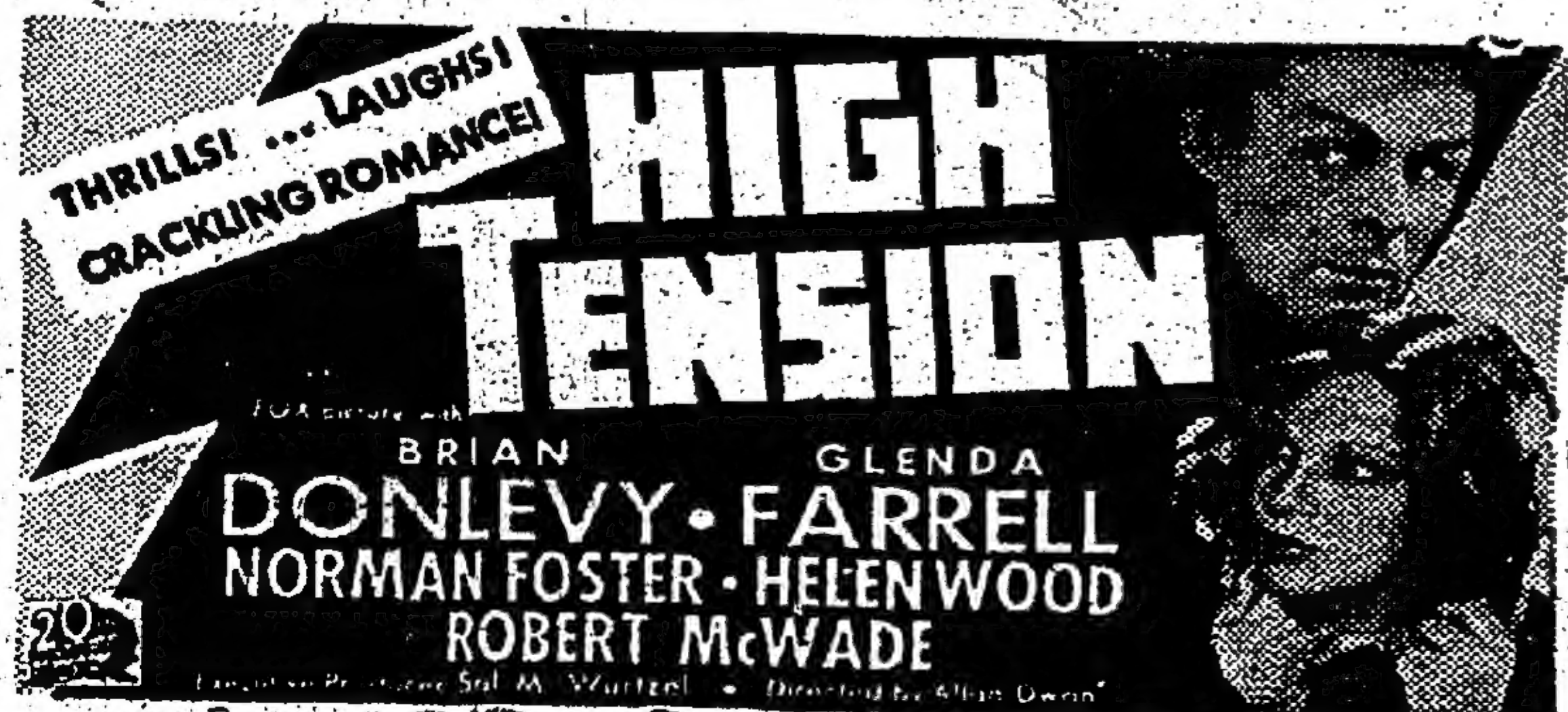
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"3 SMART GIRLS"

STALIN'S VICTORY OVER RED ARMY

POLITICAL CONTROL OF WAR MACHINE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Moscow, To-day.

"War Councils" are to be established in all military and naval districts in the Soviet, says an official Government decree issued yesterday.

The step is the first of several measures introduced with the object of strengthening political control over the Red Army.

The War Councils will be the highest military authority in each district, and over them will be a Supreme Council, composed of the Commissar for War, Marshal Voroshilov, and two Communist Party officials.

Object of the Supreme Council, according to yesterday's decree, will be to "direct military and political training in the Army, supervise selection of officers and to educate the Army in the spirit of unrelenting combat against such enemies of the people as wreckers and other dangerous elements."

Mobilisation

The Supreme Council will also be responsible for preparing for complete mobilisation of the Soviet by arranging the details in time of peace.

The decree also states that the War Councils "shall prepare for rapid militarising of the Soviet Union," and gives them power to organise the military training of all able-bodied men, to arrange for the transportation of troops by water and railway and to deal with all other questions pertaining to mobilisation. — Trans-Ocean.

DUTCH NAZI CONGRESS

Attack On Colijn Government

Amsterdam, To-day.

About 60,000 Dutch Nazis held their annual Congress yesterday on an open heath near Lunteren.

The coming elections for the Second Dutch Chamber were the chief subject of discussion, and the Nazi leader, Heer Massert, launched a strong attack on the Colijn Government.

He declared that Dutch Nazis were waging a campaign against capitalism, Marxism and Democracy.

After flags of the Java branch of the Dutch Nazi Party had been dedicated, the Congress closed with singing of the Netherlands National Anthem. — Trans-Ocean.

DEATH THREAT TO GINGER ROGERS

G-men keeping a watch on Ginger Rogers, the red-haired film star, threatened with death unless she paid \$100 to an anonymous letter writer, arrested in Chicago John Buzas (alias John Berton), aged eighteen.

Buzas is stated to have admitted sending the threats, saying, "She would not miss the money and I wanted to see a doctor."

Ginger Rogers has been closely guarded at Hollywood.

A fire amongst old packing papers stored in the ancient library has partly destroyed the Franciscan Abbey of Marienthal, near Geisenheim, on the right bank of the River Rhine.

Volte Face By Rome Press

Rome, To-day.

The recent bitter Italian press attacks on Britain suddenly ceased yesterday and most of the newspapers published news agency messages from London, in striking contrast to their complete boycott of English news of late.

Some of the newspapers even published late news of the Coronation, which has hitherto been practically ignored in Italy. — Trans-Ocean.

ANARCHISTS IN SPAIN

"Will Tolerate No Weakening"

Perpignan, To-day.

That the Anarcho-Syndicalists in Spain will demand at least three Ministers in the new Spanish Government was announced yesterday in a broadcast from the Anarcho-Syndicalist headquarters.

The portfolios in question, said the broadcast, are those of the Ministries of Justice, Public Health and Commerce.

The broadcast informed the new Valencia Government that the Anarchists and Syndicalists will tolerate no "weakening of the progress of the revolution and if necessary will resort to force to prevent an anti-revolutionary government from being formed." — Trans-Ocean.

"WORLD GETTING BRUTALISED"

Bishop's Fear For Civilisation

The fear that the world is getting "hardened to cruelty and that human nature is becoming brutalised" is expressed by the Bishop of Chelmsford, Dr. Henry Wilson, in his Diocesan Chronicle.

"It is taken as a matter of course," he writes, "that if this country becomes involved in war, London will be drenched with poison gas and set on fire by incendiary bombs. The wholesale slaughter of women and children will be the master stroke of the next war."

"All the decency and chivalry have departed from life and our civilisation has become bankrupt. It is often said that the next European war will end Western civilisation."

"Better Destroyed"

"The cynic might well be excused if he replied that if Russia, Germany, Italy, and Spain are samples of Western civilisation the sooner it is destroyed the better."

"The moral clearly is that 'civilisation and progress, divorced from the control of Christianity, is the gravest danger to humanity."

"We are not nearly so wise as we thought we were, and instead of our civilisation and education turning the world into a paradise we are rapidly making it into a hell."

"That is the lesson poor, distracted mad Europe is teaching us, and I believe we are learning."

Sir Francis Younghusband, the author and traveller, and former British Commissioner to Tibet, has been awarded the honorary title of Karma Keshari — Lion of Enterprise — by the Council of Pundits of the Sanskrit College in Bombay.

THE WORLD GOES BY

THE 12-year-old Tottenham schoolgirl who copied some verses out of a book of poetry and sent it in for an anthology of children's original verse, to the great confusion and gnashing of the Education Committee after the book was printed, was playing a game once popular with the University wits, and often played (sorely against their will!) with editors of the more dignified reviews, like the "Athenaeum" or the "Spectator."

The playboy would copy a chunk out of the middle wastes of "Adonais" or "Hyperion," and send it in with a humble note asking for criticism.

Nine times out of ten he got a note of kindly patronage and encouragement back, telling him the work showed promise and advising him to persevere. Marks were scored for this.

And once, your great-uncle will tell you, mentioning no names, a whole new poem by Kipling got itself printed, much to Kipling's surprise. It makes you think, eh?

* * *

Olds On Venus

"Your daughter must choose between examinations and love," wrote the headmistress to the father of Magda Fontanges.

*When I was a lass of seventeen
(Writes Chrysalis Grubb) I followed with fervour*

The rules that were set by my dear old Beau—

The doctor, you know—I was all for Minerva,

I studied up Tully's "De Senectute," geometry.

And headed the class in plane geometry.

And, while I may not have been a beauty,

I really adored my trigonometry.

But later, like Magda, I met a boy,

And kisses and tokens passed between us;

Athene's worship now gave me no joy,

And I fled to the warmer altar of Venus;

My head-mistress stormed, my poppa was peeved.

When I laughed at the old Pons Asinorum

But what was the use? I wasn't deceived

By Euclid or any old cockalorum.

O! it's lovely to read an original text

Of Horace, and scan the Alcaic measure.

But girls, believe me! far better be vexed

With a metre far fuller of pain and pleasure,

And when dear poppa exclaimed "My lass,

It's either love or examination,"

I replied, "Old Beau, please don't be an ass.

I've just discovered my true vocation."

Sydney "Sun."

(Continued from Next Column)

frightening thing. The teeth have been extracted and put back again so that they rattle.

"That's how we get the music—but the rattling teeth may frighten the finder and cause the bone to be thrown away.

"Real asses' jawbones are difficult to get outside Cuba."

Income Tax On Foreigners Again Urged

The Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs will again be asked to negotiate with the diplomatic representatives of foreign countries in China with regard to the payment of income tax by foreign nationals resident in China, according to information obtained from the Shanghai Office of the Income Tax Administration of the Ministry of Finance.

While foreign diplomatic representatives in China have been notified by the Foreign Ministry at the request of the Ministry of Finance of the fact that the income tax applies to foreign nationals in China as well as Chinese, it was stated few foreign citizens have up to date complied with the tax ruling.

An example for Chinese employed in foreign firms has been made by Chinese members of the staff of the Shanghai Municipal Council who, followed a series of conferences, have finally agreed to pay the income tax of their own accord. The income tax payment by the Chinese staff force of the S.M.C. will total, it was estimated more than \$20,000 per month.

TROUBLE IN CHAHAR?

Open Revolt Said Imminent

Trouble is reported to be brewing among the ranks of the Mongol "Irregulars" in north Chahar and an open revolt is believed to be imminent, according to information received in Kweichow.

"Certain quarters" are acting quickly to check the movement and large numbers of "Irregulars" are being disarmed.

A message from Hsingho reveals that hundreds of businessmen from Nanhaochan a small town outside of Shangtu base of the "Irregulars" in north Chahar, have fled to Hsingho for safety. The Mongol "Irregulars" are reported to have been very disorderly in Hsingho during the last few days.

Gen. Fu Tso-yi, Chairman of the Suiyuan Provincial Government, who has left Kweichow by motor-car for Pailin-miao, will spend four or five days inspecting the garrison there. He will also proceed to Tamiao later.

Both of these places were formerly the main base of operations of the "Irregulars" in Suiyuan which were recaptured by the provincial forces earlier in the campaign last winter.

JAWBONE OF AN ASS AND RHYTHM OF THE RUMBA

Thirteen unhappy Cuban musicians are searching London for the most important "instrument" in their orchestra—the jawbone of an ass.

The bone, wrapped in a Mexican shawl, was left in an attache case in an Underground train at Warren-street Tube Station.

Nothing has been seen of it since, and the thirteen members of the Rumbaland Muchachos orchestra are anxious in case the finder of the bone throws it away.

Senor Cifro Rimac, leader of the Muchachos, said: "The bone is a

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SHANGHAI INVASION OF HONG KONG MARKET DOUGLAS COMPANY CHAIRMAN ON CHANGING COASTAL TRADE

That Shanghai has encroached upon what at one time was Hong Kong's trade with the coast ports, Swatow, Amoy and Foo-chow, was mentioned by Mr. S. T. Williamson, presiding this morning at the meeting of shareholders of the Douglas Steamship Company. A loss of \$121,000 for the year was disclosed, but the belief was expressed that the current year would have a more satisfactory outturn.

The Chairman said:—After paying all running expenses, docking charges, insurance premia and all allowances, the loss on the year's working is \$121,479.22 to which must be added the balance brought forward from last year \$13,523.52 making a total debit in the Profit and Loss Account of \$135,002.74.

Your Consulting Committee and General Managers regret this position which is entirely attributable to the very poor trading conditions which have existed between South China coast ports for the major part of the year under review, there being very keen competition for the small amount of business offering between these ports. Shanghai is now doing more business in the way of trans-shipment cargo and also in Chinese manufactured goods: to these ports which in the meantime tends to lessen the demands from Hong Kong. The exchange position at Amoy and Foo-chow has improved considerably, but Swatow has not yet come into line in this respect.

SMUGGLING EVIL

Smuggling on the coast is still quite a serious evil and a great deal of legitimate business is lost through this illicit trading. We still maintain our own strict searches prior to vessels' departures from Hong Kong which are carried out in conjunction with the Police and we appreciate the assistance they render in this direction.

Our investments have fluctuated considerably during the year but they now stand at date at a slightly higher value than the book value shown in these accounts.

HAINING SOLD

We have, since the closing of these accounts, sold the "Haining" and I am glad to say that our overdraft position is now eliminated. The "Haining" was a popular vessel on our trades, but owing to the requirements of the Simla Convention rules which would have entailed extensive and costly alterations, your Consulting Committee and General Managers decided to take advantage of an attractive offer which was made for this vessel.

It is possible to maintain our trades for the time being with the "Haitan," "Haiyang," "Haiching" and the chartered "Seistan", but should there be a substantial increase on the cargo side of our business, serious consideration will have to be given in the way of replacing the "Haining."

With the prevailing shortage of tonnage for outside trading there are indications that we can reasonably expect more remunerative trading in the future. Every possible economy is being effected and your vessels are held on very conservative values when compared with present day market prices, it is therefore not necessary to allow further depreciation in these Accounts.

In conclusion I desire to place on record our appreciation of loyal and efficient co-operation of our Floating and Shore Staffs.

The Chairman then proposed and Mr. Croucher seconded, that the Report and Accounts be adopted. Carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Sir Robert Ho Tung, Hon. Mr. M. T. Johnson and Mr. M. H. Turner were re-elected as Members of the Consulting Committee, and Messrs. Lowe Bingham and Matthews, and Messrs. Linstead and Davis were elected as Auditors of the Company for the year 1937 at a remuneration of \$800 a year each.

Mr. S. T. Williamson was in the chair and was supported by Hon. Mr. M. T. Johnson, Mr. M. H. Turner (Members of Consulting Committee) and Mr. C. L. Farmer (Secretary). The following shareholders were also present: Messrs. N. J. A. Croucher, J. Fleming, J. F. Wright, Wing Ping-sun, Chun Wing Keu, T. Ramsay and Wong Min-hin.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1862½ b., \$1865 sa.

Bank of East Asia \$93 b.

INSURANCES

Canton Ins. \$321 b., \$317 s., X. Div.

China Underwriters \$1.60 b.

H. K. Fire Ins. \$280 b.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.

H. K. and K. Wharves \$120 b.

Providents (New) 65 cts. b.

MINING

Raubs \$12½ b., \$12.70 sa.

LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.

H. K. and S. Hotels \$7.35 s.

H. K. Lands \$35½ sa.

PUBLIC UTILITIES

H. K. Tramways \$14¼ b., \$14¼ sa.

Peak Trams (Old) \$4½ b.

Peak Trams (New) \$1¼ b.

Star Ferries \$84 sa.

China Lights (Old) \$14¼ sa.

H. K. Electrics \$60½ b.

Macao Electrics \$18½ b.

Sandakan Lights \$12½ b.

Telephones (New) \$12½ s.

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COTTON MILLS

Shanghai Cottons (Old) Sh.\$117 b.

Shanghai Cottons (New) Sh.\$92 b.

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Constructions (New) 45 cts. b.

Vibro Piling \$4.80 b.

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Salacot Mining	.038
San Mauricio	1.75
Suyoc Consol.	.35
United Paracales	.60

WHEN THE PREMIER "SKIDDED"

"Are you aware that no less a person than the Prime Minister skidded on this particular portion of road that night?"

This question was put to three witnesses by Mr. W. A. Fearnley-Whittingstall at Middlesex Quarter Sessions. None was able to answer the question.

Mr. Fearnley-Whittingstall appeared for Norman John Weatherill, of The Broadway, Farnham Common, Bucks, who appealed against a conviction at Uxbridge for driving a motor vehicle in a dangerous manner. He was then fined £10 and disqualified for 12 months.

By a majority the committee decided that the appeal would be dismissed, but the 12 months' suspension would not take effect.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, leader of the L.C.C., had an hour and a half's "tea-time chat" with President Roosevelt at the White House.

"London Pie" Coronation Radio Revue

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30 p.m.—The Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards with Richard Tauber (Tenor).
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Dance Music.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press, Rugby Press: Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—A Concert.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—"Don Giovanni" (Mozart), Act I, by the Glyndebourne Festival Opera Company, Conducted by Fritz Busch.
7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.33 p.m.—Marek Weber and His Orchestra.
Viennese Memories of Lehar (arr. Henry Hall).
You shall be the King of my Heart (Stolz).
Forest Idyll (Esslinger).
Standchen.
Faithful Jumping Jack (Heykens).
"The Flower of Hawaii"—Selection (Abraham).
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Franz Schubert's Music.
The First Movement from Quartet No. 14 in D Minor.
Roth String Quartet Allegro.
Der Tanz.

To-day's Wireless

ZBW 355 M. 845 k.c's :::: ZEK 640 k.c's.

Wiener Schubertbund (Male Choir of Vienna) with Vienna State Opera Orchestra, Conducted by Viktor Keldorfer.
Soiree de Vienne, No. 6 (arr. Liszt).
Wilhelm Backhaus (Pianoforte).
Lied der Hignon.
Meta Seinemeyer (Soprano).
Rondo, Op. 53 (arr. Friedberg).
Joseph Szigeti (Violin).
8.30 p.m.—London—London Pie' Coronation Edition. A Radio Revue. Book and lyrics by Harry Howard and Sidney Vivian with an additional monologue by Fred Rome. Music by Harry Howard. Musical arrangements by Harry Bidgood. The cast supported by Harry Bidgood's Band, Production by William MacLurg. (Electrical Recording).
9.10 p.m.—London—News and Announcements.
9.30 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Variety Concert.
Mrs. O. C. Womack (Vocal) with Ozo and His Boy Friends.
1. Ozo and His Boy Friends—Honeysuckle Rose.
One never knows, does one?
2. Mrs. O. C. Womack—Where the lazy river goes by. Music in May. San Francisco.
3. Ozo and His Boy Friends—Lady be good.

Variety Concert From The Studio

"New Moon"—One Kiss (Romberg).
Reminiscences of Friml.
10.30 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—
Oh, you Rogue.
Did your mother come from Ireland?
The Miller's Daughter, Marianne.
Anything your little heart desires: I could be in Heaven.
Sammy Saxophone.
Meet the Boys.
Tango—
Love's loneliness.
Nora.
Waltz—
Sweet Mary Rose.
11 p.m.—Close Down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Negative Inferences

The function of the opening lead generally is understood to be trick-saving and sometimes even trick-gaining, but it is not so universally appreciated that it has other duties also. One of these is to acquaint partner with the nature of the leader's hand. The corollary of this is that when certain information is withheld, the leader's partner is justified in assuming that such and such a situation does not exist. These negative inferences, while subtle, are just as sound and as far-reaching in their effect as are direct inferences. West's failure to show a certain holding on his opening lead trapped his partner into a losing play on the following hand.

West, dealer.

Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

S.—Q 10 6 3

H.—K J 7

D.—7 6

C.—J 10 7 6

WEST

S.—A K 2

H.—Q 5 4 2

D.—3 2

C.—Q 9 5 4

EAST

S.—7

H.—8 6

D.—A J 10 9 8 4

C.—A 8 3 2

SOUTH

S.—J 9 8 5 4

H.—A 10 9 3

D.—K Q 5

C.—K

The bidding:

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	3 dia.	3 spades
3 no trump	4 spades	Pass	Pass
Double	Pass	Pass	Pass

East's bid was distinctly unorthodox and also of questionable worth. While he and his partner were not using the two way three bid there still was no justification for a pre-emptive bid on his hand. It was by no means defenceless and, on the other hand, did not have enough playing tricks to warrant a bid for nine tricks. South was well acquainted with East's bidding habits and felt that he was attempting a "fast one," hence the three spade bid. South was afraid to double, on account of his singleton club. A

four club response would be hard to handle.

West opened the three of diamonds and East won with the ace. A study of the dummy, in connection with an appraisal of the declarer's bid, made East dubious about the chance to defeat the contract. From where East sat it appeared likely that West had either the ace-jack-small or king-jack-small of spades, and that he had counted on two tricks which would not materialise in the face of dummy's unexpected strength. South was pretty well marked with the heart ace, and a successful heart finesse to dummy's king-jack appeared imminent to East. No further diamond tricks were to be expected, and it seemed to boil down to a question of club tricks. This reasoning by East was logical, and I do not think he can be blamed for attempting to steal a club trick by leading a low club from his ace on the hope that declarer, with something like the king-small, would let it ride to West's queen.

As it happened South's club king was singleton and thus the contract became a laydown on the concession of West's two tricks in spades.

Superficial criticism might attribute the loss of this hand to East's play, but the fault actually was one that resulted from the opening lead. With the ace-king and a small trump no possible objection could be found to laying down the spade king. This lead would have a dual purpose. First, to acquaint partner with the fact that West held the ace-king; and, second, to take a look at the dummy in order to gauge subsequent lines of defence. Naturally, once East had seen that his partner held two spade tricks he would have grabbed his own two aces for a certain victory.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: Must a player have a certain number of honour tricks in order to make a pre-emptive opening bid?

Answer: No. If sufficient winners are held the hand need contain no honour tricks whatsoever.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Step Lively, Jeeves", with Arthur Treacher, Patricia Ellis and Robert Kent. The inimitable Jeeves in a mad mixup of shooting, gangsters and assorted variety of giddy misadventures on his first visit to America.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Two In A Crowd", with Joan Bennett and Joel McCrea. A romantic comedy drama of two young moderns following the discovery of a thousand dollar bill in the street.

AT THE STAR—"High Tension", with Brian Donlevy, Glenda Farrell, Norman Foster and Helen Wood. A crackling romance filled with thrills and laughs.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Camille", with Greta Garbo and Robert Taylor. A glorious love drama of a woman of Paris and of the world—a woman who coolly chose to accept the favours of a wealthy man; then suddenly fell in love with young Armand.

AT THE KING'S—"The King's vacation", with George Arliss, Majorie Gateson, Dudley Digges, Dick Powell and Patricia Ellis. George Arliss is at his best in a role exelling in humour, humanity and suave charm, and plays the part of a man who has kingship thrust upon him while despising all the pomp and ceremony and determined to give them all up for love in a cottage.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Western Frontier", with Ken Maynard and Nora Lane. A Western drama in which Maynard as a secret government officer, on his wonder horse, Tarzan, trails the rustlers and manages after many adventures, to bring them to book.

COMING PICTURES

"Pennies From Heaven"—with Bing Crosby, Madge Evans, Edith Fellows and Louis Armstrong. The gayest fun-show of the new season. Coming to the King's.

"Mama Steps Out"—A girl whom her mother hopes will marry a cultured foreigner elopes with an American crooner. Starring Stanley Morner and Betty Furness. Coming to the King's.

"Mr. Cinderella", with Jack Haley, Betty Furness, Arthur Treacher and Raymond Walburn. A barber follows the movements of Society people through gossip columns, idylls, a

Society beauty though he has never seen her, and eventually marries her. Coming to the Oriental.

"The Lost Horizon", with Ronald Colman, Jane Wyatt, H. B. Warner, Margo and Edward Everett Horton. A story of adventure, romance danger and glamour, acclaimed as one of the outstanding productions of the year. Coming to the Oriental.

"After The Thin Man," with Myrna Loy as Nora Charles, epitome of the sophisticated modern wife who assists her famous husband William Powell in ferreting out crimes against a San Francisco background. Coming to the King's.

"Banjo on My Knee"—With Barbara Stanwyck, Joel McCrea, Helen Westley, Buddy Ebsen, Walter Catlett, Katherine de Mille and Anthony Martin. A thrill musical, depicting the tragi-comedy that is the life story of the river-boat people on the Mississippi. Coming to the Queen's.

"John Meade's Woman"—a powerful story starring Edward G. Arnold and Francine Larrimore. Coming to the Queen's.

"Swing High And Swing Low."—A romantic comedy co-starring lovely Carole Lombard and dashing Fred MacMurray—a festival of song and music—of mirth and laughter. Coming to the Queen's.

"On The Avenue"—with songs by Irving Berlin—a sparkling musical production with a stellar cast of entertainers, including Dick Powell and Madeleine Carroll. Coming to Queen's.

"The Longest Night", with Robert Young, Florence Rice, Ted Healy and Julie Haydon. Mystery, with an added element of romance and humour, provides the highlights of this picture, and incidents following one upon another to build a great story. Coming to the other in bewildering succession combine Oriental.

"Mind Your Own Business."—With Charles Ruggles, Alice Brady, Lyle Talbot, Benny Baker and Frankie Darro. The tale of a nature writer who has bees in his bonnet as well as his column and a wife who gets him into a tangle that it takes a general alarm to unravel. Coming to the Queen's.



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NEW WAR RISK CLAUSE

RESULT OF SPANISH HOSTILITIES

MARINE INSURANCE POLICY CHANGES

The Institute of London Underwriters has announced important changes in the clauses used for insuring cargo against war risks. These risks are customarily excluded from the marine policy by a special clause.

The new war risk clause reinstates the cancelled risk by stating that the policy covers it, and also covers loss or damage caused by hostilities, warlike operations, civil war, revolution, insurrection or civil strife arising therefrom, and from mines, torpedoes, bombs or other engines of war.

COVER NOW GRANTED

War risk insurances do not cover claims based on the fact that the carrying ship cannot deliver her cargo at her scheduled destination because she is prevented from doing so by "arrests, restraints or detentions." While previously these arrests were stated to be those of "Kings, Princes or Peoples," the new clause goes on to add "usurpers or persons attempting to usurp power."

Very obviously this wording is aimed at making sure that Spanish insurgent forces and ships are to be considered as being on the same plane as "Kings, Princes and Peoples."

Another important alteration is that claims falling within the terms of the new clauses will be paid without any reference to the "franchise" of the policy. This is a clause which excludes claims unless they reach a certain percentage of the insured value, and is in common use in insurance against sea perils as distinct from war perils.

BUOYANT BRITISH REVENUES

Treasury Figures

London, To-day.

Buoyant revenue is still the feature of the national accounts.

Exchequer returns show that total ordinary revenue amounts to £79,195,039 compared with £73,042,534 at the corresponding date of last year.

The yield of income tax is \$11,569,000 against \$9,739,000 last year and payments for estate duties at \$11,770,000 are over \$1,000,000 up on a year ago.

Receipts from customs and excise are also higher by nearly £3,000,000. Total ordinary expenditure is \$102,914,058 compared with \$103,879,376 at the corresponding date of 1936.—British Wireless.

Death In Shanghai

Shanghai, To-day.

The death occurred here to-day from malaria of Mr. Liem Goan-lian, aged 36.

Mr. Liem, who was a prominent Chinese merchant from Batavia, had only arrived from that country on Saturday.—Reuter.

NEW KWANGTUNG GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE YUAN'S APPOINTMENTS

HSU KING TANG'S POST

Nanking, To-day.

The Executive Yuan has officially announced the reorganisation of the Kwangtung Government as follows:—

Mr. Wu Te-chen remains Chairman of the Provincial Government.

Messrs. T. L. Soong, Hsu Sung-ching, Li Yu-wen, Hu Chi-yen, Chou Men-chai and Ou-yang Chu, and General Hsu King-tang are appointed Members of the Government.

Mr. Wu Teh-chen is to act concurrently as Commissioner of Civil Affairs.

Mr. T. L. Soong is to act concurrently as the Commissioner of Finance, and Mr. Tseng Yang-fu is appointed Acting Commissioner of Finance during Mr. Soong's illness.

Mr. Hsu Sung-ching is appointed Commissioner of Education.

General Hsu King-tang is appointed Commissioner of Reconstruction.

Messrs. Li Yu-wen, Hu Chi-yen, Chou Men-chai and Ou-yang Chu are members without portfolio, but Mr. Ou-yang Chu is to be Secretary-General of the Government.

General Miao Pui-nam is appointed to succeed General Hsu King-tang as Chief of Staff to General Yu Han-mau, Commander-in-chief of the 4th. Route Army.—Our Own Correspondent.

JAPANESE PARTIES JOIN FORCES

Anti-Government Bloc Created

Tokyo, May 14.

Two weeks after inflicting a crushing defeat upon the Government at the polls, the two major political parties to-day formed a joint anti-Cabinet front at an hour's meeting between Mr. Matajiri Koizumi and Mr. Tsuruhel Matsuno, respectively secretaries-general of the Minseitō and Seiyūkai parties. With creation of a common front, the two officials left the formulation of anti-Government measures to a special committee of ten leaders from each of the two parties.

Undeterred, the Premier, Gen. Senjuro Hayashi, to-day continued to press for the adoption of Army-backed national reforms, which he declared to be vitally necessary for coping with the crisis, currently confronting Japan, in an address at the inaugural meeting of the Board of National Planning, the creation of which he defended.—Domei.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, according to present arrangements, will not leave Nanking till May 21. No definite date has been set for his return to Hong Kong.

LORD REDESDALE GIVES CONSENT TO MATCH

(SPECIAL TO THE "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

A romance which was interrupted by the Spanish civil war and other vicissitudes and which has intrigued Europe for many weeks had a happy ending yesterday in marriage.

The two concerned were Esmond Romilly, the romantic 18-year-old nephew of Mr. Winston Churchill, and his cousin, the Hon. Jessica Freeman-Mitford, aged 19, daughter of Lord and Lady Redesdale.

YOUNG ROMILLY LEFT LONDON A FEW MONTHS AGO TO FIGHT IN THE SPANISH WAR. HE JOINED UP IN MADRID WITH THE FAMOUS INTERNATIONAL BRIGADE AND LATER FOUGHT ON THE BASQUE FRONT, WHERE HE WAS WOUNDED IN ACTION.

His fiancée, whose love affair with Mr. Churchill's nephew was strongly opposed by her parents, ran away from her London home and joined Romilly in Bilbao.

For weeks the couple endeavoured to find an authority who would marry them, but without success.

They were checked by the British Foreign Office, which instructed the Spanish authorities and British Consulates in Spain and France to refuse to marry the young couple.

After a vain effort to get married in the South of France, the lovers returned to Spain, where Romilly rejoined his regiment and his fiancée did war work in the besieged Basque capital.

PARENTS CONSENT

All efforts by the couple's parents to induce them to return home were met by a stony silence until yesterday, when the parents gave in and consented to the marriage.

Romilly, his fiancée, Lady Redesdale and Colonel and Mrs. H. S. Romilly met in Bayonne, where the young couple were married at the British Consulate.

The parents had flown to Bayonne from London after having given their consent by telegraph.—Trans-Ocean.

GERMANY'S NEW AMBASSADOR

Presents Credentials In Washington

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt yesterday received the retiring Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Alfred Sze, and the new German Ambassador, Dr. Hans Dieckhoff.

Dr. Dieckhoff presented letters of credence and personal wishes for President Roosevelt's well being from Herr Hitler.

President Roosevelt, replying, asked the Ambassador to convey his cordial thanks for the personal greetings, which he reciprocated, together with sincerest wishes for the welfare and prosperity of Germany.—Reuter.

NEW ROUTE FOR AIR RACE?

Possibility Following U.S. Action

Paris, To-day.

The Air Minister will cancel the New York-Paris air race in agreement with the International Aeronautical Federation, according to an announcement here yesterday.

This, however, may lead to legal action by the participants in view of the engagements undertaken, and the Federation may agree to another course, possibly over the South Atlantic.

The Air Ministry has no intention of making the starting point Canada, since the reasons for refusing licenses by the United States are equally applicable to a Canadian starting point.—Reuter.

RADIOTELEPHONE TO AMERICA

Formal Opening This Morning

Shanghai, To-day.

Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Acting President of the Executive Yuan, arrived in Shanghai from Nanking yesterday evening for the opening of the radio-telephone service between China and America this morning. Dr. Wang will first speak with the American President and then Madame Chiang Kai-shek will speak with Madame Roosevelt.—Our Own Correspondent.

The King and Queen returned to London yesterday afternoon from Windsor where they spent the weekend at Royal Lodge.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Japan" left Vancouver on Saturday and is due at Hong Kong on the 4th June (Friday) morning.

LONDON'S TRANSPORT SYSTEM MAY BE FINALLY PARALYSED

Tramwaymen To Hold Decisive Meeting To-day

Sympathy Strike Probable

London, To-day.
Resumption of work by the 1,500 Beardmore engineers, who have been on strike in Glasgow for over seven weeks, is expected by the week-end.

A mass meeting held in Glasgow yesterday resolved acceptance of the terms suggested by the firm as a basis for reopening negotiations, conditional upon 100 per cent. of the strikers return to work.

Important Admiralty contracts have been much delayed by the strike, which is estimated to have cost the engineers £40,000 in wages.

Meanwhile a full delegate conference of every branch of tram, trolley bus workers will be held in London to-morrow.

This decision was taken at a meeting of the Trams Council of the Transport Workers Union, which received a deputation from the central bus committee asking for extension of the strike to trams and trolley buses.

Failure of the London Transport Board to come to an agreement with the bus strikers now threatens a complete stoppage of all forms of transport for the possibility of the extension of the strike to the tubes as well as the trams cannot be ruled out.—Reuter.

WARSHIP REPAIR COSTS

Repulse £1,474,924

Sir Gilbert Upcott, Comptroller and Auditor-General, in his report upon the Dockyard Expense and Manufacturing Accounts for the year ended March 31, 1936, which was issued with the accounts states that the actual expenditure for the years was £24,648,693 or £474,775 below the revised estimate.

Estimated costs for large repairs on battleships are:

Malaya, £976,963;
Ramillies, £469,166;
Royal Oak, £998,669;
Warspite, £2,269,263, and
Battle cruiser Repulse, £1,474,924.

The cost of new construction for dockyard-built ships was £1,898,000, compared with £1,917,000 during the previous year; and for contract-built ships £9,169,000, compared with £7,952,000 in the preceding 12 months.

MOSCOW-PRAGUE AIR LINE

Moscow, To-day.

It is officially announced here that a regular air service between Moscow and Prague will be inaugurated within the next few days.—Trans-Ocean.

Choy Hung, a workman at the Hume Pipe Factory, Tsun Wan, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from injuries received when a steel plate fell on him while working.

Squally, Cloudy And Showering

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure remains highest over the Pacific to the East of the Bonins. Depressions are situated over S. W. China and to the north-east of Hokkaido. Forecast:—S. winds, moderate to fresh, squally; cloudy, showery.

Wong Kung-yee and Lam Kam were admitted to the G. C. H. suffering from injuries received in attempting to resist arrest by a military picket while trespassing on Devil's Peak fort yesterday.

Aged U. S. Judge To Retire

New Move In Supreme Court Battle

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.
MR. WILLIS VAN DEVANTER, THE 88-YEAR-OLD JUDGE, HAS INFORMED PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT THAT HE IS RETIRING FROM ACTIVE SERVICE IN THE SUPREME COURT.

Judge Van Devanter was among the staunchest conservatives in the Supreme Court and his retirement gives President Roosevelt his first opportunity to appoint a judge of his own choosing.

High officials do not expect further retirements at present but Mr. Justice Sutherland, who is also a conservative, might take advantage of the Retirement Act in a few months.

It is generally considered that Judge Devanter's action has weakened the President's case for reform of the Supreme Court.—Reuter.

Air Mail Growth

London, To-day.
The weight of letter airmails carried to an extra-European destination from the United Kingdom in the first quarter of the year exceeded the figure for the same period of 1936 by 20 per cent.—British Wireless.

REAL BATTLE FOR BILBAO IMMINENT

HEAVY TASK FACING GEN. MOLA ON THE BASQUE FRONT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

St. Jean de Luz, To-day.

Seven weeks of heavy fighting have brought General Mola's insurgent forces within striking distance of the "iron belt," the last line of defences of Bilbao, and the last phase of the fight for the Basque capital is about to be staged, according to rebel sources.

General Mola, however, is reported to be fully aware that the next few days, and even weeks, are likely to produce much severe fighting, the outcome of which it is impossible to predict.

Although General Mola's forces up to now have enjoyed a superiority in equipment, especially in the air, it is known that several squadrons of Republican plans have been despatched to the Bilbao front, and will most certainly make their presence felt.

Furthermore the Basque defenders have been reinforced by many battalions from the Asturian and Santander Fronts.

Apart from the question of reinforcements, rebel headquarters realise that the task of overcoming the fortified defences of Bilbao will present many difficulties.

THE IRON BELT

The iron belt is a ring of fortifications lying from five to eight miles from Bilbao itself. The line begins at Mount Barricabaso, on the coast, and strikes the coast again beyond the bridges of Somorrostro and Saltacaballo.

The fortifications consist of concrete redoubts with machine-gun nests and barbed wire entanglements.

Nevertheless, General Mola is hoping to be able to blast his way through the fortifications at some point where the defences are weakest.—Trans-Ocean.

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Emotional Self-Management

Ever since women's colleges began to realise, a few years ago, that coeds continue to be more interested in the technique of husband choosing and holding than in anthropology, applied psychology of a general sort, and antique jewelry-making, courses have been offered in human relationships. Now Vassar comes along with one which lists among its topics, "Techniques of Emotional Self-Management."

If ever there was a course which should be compulsory for all women, we recommend this one: Proper application of the rules of emotional behaviour without a doubt would dispel hysteria, pandemonium, and tearful scenes forever.

There are some things which every woman should know. Briefly how to control herself—

(1) When she knows that it is a blonde, recently blonded, who has detained her husband at the office.

(2) When she meets her husband's old girl whose proprietary interest is not at all displeasing to her husband—who wouldn't have married her anyway, if the first girl hadn't jilted him.

(3) When he has compelled her to follow a social schedule permitting only five hours sleep a night, and then, when her nerves are tissue paper stuff, accuses her of keeping him out nights.

(4) When he comes to dinner

WHEN BREAKFAST ARRIVES

The appearance of the breakfast tray is an important event. A daintily served meal can be at once the consolation for walking up to another dull morning, and the preparation for the strenuous affairs which are to follow.

There is bound to be a certain monotony, but even this can become a source of pleasure if all the simple ingredients of the meal are served to perfection—fruit juice in sparkling glass, a pretty breakfast service, an "individual" butter-pot and a rack of well-made toast.

For many people this is sufficient; others require something more substantial. This should be a small and tempting morsel, neither insipid nor too strongly flavoured. A fish soufflé is an ideal dish.

All that is needed for this a few flakes of cold white fish—made into a paste with the sauce with which it was served—and an egg, white and yolk to be beaten separately. The mixture is poured into a soufflé dish to bake until it is risen and set. Serve as quickly and as hot as possible.

CURRENT PUDDING

An economical pudding is made as follows. Stale bread can be used. Rub the bread into fine crumbs and put in a basin; six ounces will be required. Mix with two ounces of shredded suet two ounces of sugar. Add two ounces of currants and sprinkle in half a teaspoonful of baking powder. Mix with a large beaten egg and one or two tablespoonfuls of milk. Put in a scalded and floured cloth, tie up, and boil for an hour. It may be flavoured with a pinch of nutmeg if liked. Serve with custard or sweet pudding sauce.

an hour late and complains because the roast is over-done.

(5) When he spends too much of the family income on conviviality and then scolds because she can't pay the grocery bill; when—There is no end to the list.

All Trying Situations

At such times it takes a strength and endurance beyond any ever conceived by man or woman to hold on to her emotions, smile, speak quietly, and pretend that she is happiest among the wives of men. When a woman knows that she is in the right, and is being taken to task by a man who drapes his own blame around her neck, she wouldn't be human if she didn't want to fling back a tirade.

"Techniques of Emotional Self-Management!" The ability to hold on to yourself and say nothing. The self restraint to clench your hands and not throw the ash trays or the coffee cups or kick over the waste paper basket. The ability to laugh. That is what it means.

Courtesy is the basis of the emotional compatibility between two people. If this could be instilled into the minds of the Vassar girls, the alumni statistics, a few years hence, would show that marriage plays a big part on the school calendar.

Men Duck Responsibilities

For men, though they are the causes of the emotional jitters that beset their wives and sweethearts, take to themselves no part of the blame. They will give vent to their impatience or wrath and ex-

pect to be treated like a king who has been wronged; but that a woman should avail herself of an equal privilege is below the dignity of her sex, they contend. They despise scenes.

Therefore, if a girl could be taught that she must be courteous no matter what the situation; that she must speak the soft answers which are credited with turning away wrath; that she must let her sense of humour be a gentle cloak for the depravity of the man she married, she could overlook his defects and double her love.

Men are as they are. Women even bachelor of arts, might as well learn it early in life.

And a woman, in this instance, is a far wiser instructor than a man.

SAVE OLD SPONGES

Sponges and rubber sponges that are no longer fit for bathroom use may be turned to account for various purposes during spring cleaning. They are good for washing and rinsing painted and varnished woodwork. A sponge is quicker and better than a brush for applying a first coat of floor stain. It should be slipped over an old washing-up mop so that it may be held easily without soiling the hands. When walls or ceilings are being whitewashed or distempred, the brush handle should be pushed through an old sponge to prevent the liquid from running down on to the fingers. Fluff, dust, and cat's hairs may easily be wiped off velvet upholstery with a rubber sponge.



Blonde Virginia Grey, film starlet, wears this new afternoon dress spotted with white daisies blossoming on a black background. Of additional interest are the slit sleeves and daisy fastening at the neckline.

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NEW LOYALIST PREMIER IN VALENCIA

Policy Reveals No Vital Change

Basque Defence Likely To Be Stiffened

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

"The new Government is composed of all parties which are united in opposition to General Franco."

So runs a statement issued by the new Spanish Premier, Senor Juan Negrin, which goes on to deplore the fact that the trade unions are not represented in the new Cabinet.

"THE NEW GOVERNMENT HAS ONLY ONE CONSIDERATION—TO BRING ABOUT THE DEFEAT OF THE INSURGENT FORCES—AND TO THIS END IS PREPARED TO TAKE ANY MEASURES TO MAINTAIN LAW AND ORDER IN REPUBLICAN TERRITORY."

The statement says that the Government will establish unity in command on military and economic matters, and is resolved shortly to discuss with Parliament the question of final and supreme leadership.

As regards international issues, it will pursue the same policy as the late Government, and therefore lodges a protest against the restrictions imposed on the legitimate Spanish Government by the international non-intervention committee.

WAR COUNCIL DISSOLVED

The statement concludes with a tribute to the Republican dead in the civil war.

The new Cabinet yesterday called on President Azana and were formally established in office.

Meanwhile the Supreme War Council of the Spanish Popular Front has been dissolved by order of the new Government, which from now on assumes command itself all Republican forces in the field.

AMBASSADOR RESIGNS

Senor Araquistain, the Ambassador of the Valencia Government in Paris, has resigned, presumably as a result of the new Government coming into power.

Senor Carlos Esplato is mentioned in Paris as his successor.—Trans-Ocean.

BASQUES PLEASED

Formation of the new Government in Valencia, with its implied swing to the right, has particularly pleased the Basques, as they have three members therein.

It is felt that Valencia now realises the importance of the defence of Bilbao for the whole issue of the war.

The particular task of the new Government, says a Government statement of policy in Valencia, will be to "unify command of military operation as well as control of economic life."

The statement deplores the absence of trade union organisations in the new Cabinet.—Reuter.

AERIAL BOMBING APPEAL

London, To-day.

The non-intervention sub-committee yesterday decided to appeal to both sides in the Spanish civil war to renounce aerial bombing and to take other measures to humanise the conflict.

Further directions in which tentative steps were taken were control and use of Spanish capital assets and a scheme to prohibit departure from signatories' territories of non-Spanish persons whose activities might prolong and embitter the conflict.—Reuter.

Scant Hope Of Peace By Mediation

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

LONDON, TO-DAY.

"THE PROSPECTS OF TERMINATING THE SPANISH CIVIL WAR BY MEDIATION ON THE PART OF FOREIGN POWERS IS FAR FROM BRIGHT," SAYS "THE TIMES" IN A LEADING ARTICLE ON POSSIBLE PEACEFUL INTERVENTION IN SPAIN.

"If such an attempt, however, should be made," continues the journal, "then Portugal and the South American Republics, which are bound to Spain by ties of close racial affinity, should be allowed to take the initiative in efforts for peaceful settlement, since they would be the most suitable mediators."

The article describes the present situation in Spain, and cites reports which estimate that no fewer than 50,000 have lost their lives in Madrid and Barcelona alone since the beginning of the conflict.

SPANIARD'S SUGGESTION

"The Times" also publishes a letter from a Spaniard, Senor Jose Castillejo, who suggests that a non-party Government should be



The Loyal Address from Hong Kong to Their Majesties the King and Queen was entrusted to the Imperial Airways for carriage to London, the casket leaving by the Delphinus on Friday. Early on Monday it will be handed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies for presentation to Their Majesties, having travelled nearly 10,000 miles in nine days. Our photo shows the casket being handed to the Commander of the Delphinus at Kai Tak Airport.

AIR MAILS AT NORMAL POSTAL RATES

POSTMASTER-GENERAL ON BRITISH POLICY AND PLANS

London, To-day.

Major Tryon, the Postmaster-General, in a speech yesterday outlined the Government's air mail policy.

"The principle underlying our policy," he said, "is that transmission by air should be regarded not as something exceptional but just as an ordinary form of transport."

"We contemplate what we call an all air service. Postage on first class mail sent from the United Kingdom will be 1½d. per half ounce for letters and 1d for postcards. Services will be even more speedy than those provided by air at the present time and they will become faster as time goes on. A start is to be made in about a month with the service to South and East Africa."

Similar services to India and Malaya will, I hope, begin at the end of this year and the service to Australia early in 1938."

appointed in Spain through the mediation of the European Powers.

Commenting on this proposal, the journal expresses the opinion that the suggestion in itself is excellent, but that the prospects of its realisation are extremely slight.

The writer of the letter is described by "The Times" as a "distinguished personage with Right Wing sympathies, who has lived abroad for a considerable time."—Trans-Ocean.

The P. & O. s.s. "Somali" left Shanghai for this port on May 18 and is due here on May 20 at about 10 p.m.

In reference to television the Postmaster General said that the range at present was usually about 25 miles but they hoped that some day television would reach other parts of the Empire.—British Wire- less.

Ambulances Reported Bombed

By Insurgent Planes

London, To-day.

Press reports from Spain assert that a number of British ambulances behind the Republican lines have been bombed by insurgent planes.

It is asserted that three Scotch ambulances on the Toledo front were completely destroyed by bombs.

Official confirmation of the reports, however, is not forthcoming. The newspapers also report that a complete field hospital donated to the Basque Government by the British relief committee for Spain, has been despatched to the Bilbao front.

Meanwhile the 17 Republican aeroplanes which landed at Pau, in France, on Monday, were still at the airport there late yesterday afternoon.—Trans-Ocean.



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CURRENCY AND CHEAP MONEY

Recent events in London, Johannesburg and New York have furnished a warning of the unstable basis upon which markets rest. A mere rumour that the United States might change the buying price of gold disordered dealings in commodities and shares on both sides of the Atlantic. An assurance from President Roosevelt restored equilibrium, but not without a further disturbance in business transactions in a reverse direction. What happened gave point to the questions subsequently addressed to Mr. Neville Chamberlain regarding the tripartite currency agreement and the possibility of further economic agreement between the United States, France and ourselves. The Chancellor of the Exchequer's assurance that he is satisfied with the working of the currency agreement one purpose of which was to avoid any disturbance in the system of international exchange "by monetary action on the part of any of the Governments concerned," should for the future discount reports of individual action by one of the signatories.

While British Government policy is not "to maintain a fixed price of gold in relation to sterling," Mr. Chamberlain's assurance that the Government is fully alive to the undesirability of interfering with the flow of business towards recovery should lessen apprehension about dearer money. As the Government has a considerable borrowing programme ahead there is every advantage in doing all possible to keep money cheap, both as regards the national finances and in order to stimulate economic recovery, upon which an increased yield from taxation must depend. While declaring that he is not at the moment contemplating an economic agreement between France, the United States and ourselves, Mr. Chamberlain is careful not to discourage the forces that are pressing towards such an arrangement. Difficulties in the way are many, but the marked change in opinion in America is extremely welcome. President Roosevelt and Mr. Cordell Hull have shown a disposition to discussion, and Mr. Chamberlain's hope that currency stability may

be followed by a lowering of the restrictions upon international trade provides encouragement for further explorations.

Overgrown London

An echo of Cobbett's denunciation of the "wen" is awakened by Lord Horder's talk of "this monstrous London" that fills Harley Street with overstrained, nerve-racked patients. Only the other day Mr. Baldwin was eloquent on much the same theme when he spoke of the alarming spread of nervous breakdown. Lord Horder sees the remedy in the growth of satellite towns, like Letchworth and Welwyn Garden City, in which people's homes and work-places will be close together and there will be no rush for the early morning train. That dream was born more than 40 years ago, following on the creation of industrial towns such as Bournville and Port Sunlight, but London has continued to grow and industries, instead of migrating, have settled there in increasing numbers.

Everybody agrees in theory with the idea of satellite towns, but in practice congestion in the capital grows, partly because London has shown determination to spread outward and absorb within itself the new industrial areas which, when built, were believed to be remote from the centre. What was in the past an idealistic vision of self-contained communities, dependent on their own industries, is passing into one of the main problems of statesmanship. Much more than the better health conditions that Lord Horder stresses are involved; there are big questions of national safety also. The present generation is reaping the consequences of past failure in national planning, and perhaps the enthusiasts for satellite towns have a better chance of a hearing now than they had 40 years ago.

Soundproof Isolation

Crying has been said by some to be good for tender infants on the ground that it strengthens their lungs; perhaps it also strengthens the nervous resistance of their elders, who must learn to soothe the self-exercising infant and remove the reason for the tumult without themselves giving way to temper and exasperation. But a cinema which is being built at a seaside resort in New South Wales includes an arrangement for letting the infants take their medicine without inflicting any of it on the elders; the establishment is to include "a crying-room for babies" from which "no sound can escape into the theatre itself." There the infants can be dumped while the mothers see and hear the films without any interruption.

The brief account received from Australia does not mention whether any older custodians are intended to be present in what seems to be something like a padded room for petulant babes. That would appear to be a rather necessary precaution; if the babes are simply left to holl over, with no sound at all emerging from the torture chamber, some of them may howl themselves into a fit before the peaceful parents return to collect their overexercised offspring. In some ways this addition to the amenities of the "super-moviedrome" sounds a little too silent to be safe.

Ain't Love Gland?

What The Big Idea Is - - - -

On Monday was printed the first of this gay, informative series by KATHERINE TOWNSEND

She said: "Our personalities are largely determined by a system of dynamos known as the ductless glands."

"A different gland, or perhaps combination of glands, dominates each of us. It leaves its mark in every physical detail."

And that means, she said, that you'll get nowhere at all in the pursuit of love unless you know the rules!

* * *

This series will help you check up on your own gland type. More than that, it will tell you quite a lot about the girl you met at the party last night — or the young man who is anxious to meet you again next Saturday.

To-day Katherine Townsend deals with girls whose postpituitary gland rules their lives.

If You're Like This - You'll Be A Good Mother

its many accomplishments is the reinforcement of all that is masculine. Enough of that until later.

The postpituitary, in contrast, reinforces all that is feminine. Every woman in the world has a pretty efficient postpituitary, no matter how often you are tempted to doubt it.

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If you're more interested in picking a mother for your children than you are in a companionable marriage . . . or a gay evening . . . here's the girl for you.

So that you may know her, spot her, and be able to fit her into your plans, no matter what they may be, here's what you should be on the look-out for . . .

She's a small woman, generally below average in height, appealingly petite and delicate . . . at least in the first blush of her youth.

She walks gracefully, but if you can be cool about it you will see

that her short, quick step, with that sure, rather self-satisfied little swing, is what others have defined as mincing.

Though, just to confuse you, her gait may sometimes be slow and easy.

Her legs are nice. A well-turned ankle is mounted by a goodly calf, not muscular, but well filled out, let's say. The thighs are full and perhaps just a bit more pleasantly rounded than the fashion magazines allow.

Her knees are probably dimpled. She has an appealing face, small featured, broad, yet oval. Shall we call it heart-shaped?

Good humour vies with determination to shape the tiny, thin-lipped mouth. The nose is small, definite and pointed at the tip.

The eyes are not much to look at. But definitely wide eyed, and either very close together or very far apart. Her teeth are long and crowded.

Her complexion's rather nice, but not what you'd call thrilling. Of importance to your sleuthing, she has a tendency to flush and blush on the slightest provocation.

* * *

Her voice belongs to no other type, for it is high-pitched and clear as a bell.

Her hands are small, soft and plumpish, her fingers tapering and fleshy. In common with all pituitary types, her fingernails are small or medium in size, with little or no moon. She probably wears a size two shoe.

Her admirable characteristics are still be a gay, happy, and amiable many, and perhaps one of them is that she is unmoved by the most dramatic proposal—if it be illicit. As a matter of fact, the most in-

nocent proposal, say a cinema visit, may find you skilfully manoeuvred to the altar before you've quite realised what's happened. For this loyal, emotional, gentle creature has a sure, though perhaps devious, way of obtaining what she wills.

She wills, invariably, a comfortable, successful home and a team of nice children.

You will find her stubborn about little else.

On politics, for instance, or on a place to eat, she will follow your enthusiasms.

* * *

Perhaps you should be warned, or have already gathered, that she is stirred more by sentiment than by passion.

She is, of course, fond of children. And a day-dreamer of such lively fancy that she sometimes betrays herself, as well as you, since she suffers from tricks of association.

She has what she calls intuition, a peculiarly feminine trait that

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"Is Sixteen Too Young To Be In Love?"

By Pat Adam

"I MET Jim at the tennis club dance. He's nineteen and you can't call that so young nowadays. I love him and I'll never, never love anybody else." What are modern parents to do when faced by a schoolgirl daughter who insists that she has fallen in love? Ought they to congratulate her gravely and offer sensible advice, or should they tell her not to let her imagination run away with her?

* * *

Unfortunately far too many parents choose the latter course. They reason irritably that if other girls can find school and hockey and camping with the Girl Guides enough to interest them, why should their young daughter be an exception?

They haven't expected to be faced with the thought of her falling in love for several years yet, and absolutely refuse to take it seriously.

"You are far too young," they say, without attempting to disguise their annoyance, "and you are not to think anything more about it."

This one speech is enough to lose for them the confidence of their child at one blow.

From her earliest years a girl keeps falling quite unconsciously in and out of love. She will balance, eyes shut with terror, on the roof of the tool shed to win the admiration of the little boy next door, and she will study till all hours to please the teacher she admires.

From the very days when they wheeled her out in her pram there has always been someone to make her heart beat faster, so, if she

has outgrown the schoolgirl stage quicker than some of her contemporaries, it is unreasonable of her parents to expect her to go back to it. First love is an experience that she can only know once, and it is quite difficult and overwhelming enough in itself without parents adding to the difficulty by an unsympathetic attitude.

If only they would not take up either a severe or domineering tone, and would merely warn their daughter sympathetically not to exaggerate her emotions.

They should remind her that several years must pass before she can get married, and that in all probability, she will change her mind.

They should encourage her to bring the boy often to her home; where he will be treated as one of the family, and she will see him in an ordinary homely light discussing cricket scores with her father and tinkering with the wireless set.

Probably the day will come when she will be able to laugh with her parents over what has only proved to be a youthful infatuation. But if, on the other hand, her love should deepen, how grateful she will be, when happily married, not to have to look back to endless family rows and dissension.

Sensible parents will keep in mind that, though older and wiser in judgment, they are not always infallible, and whatever they may think at first to the contrary, a first love may prove to be lasting and the one love of their daughter's life.

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A new portrait of Mrs. Juva Marconi Anderson, niece of the famous wireless inventor, Guglielmo Marconi, and wife of lumber king, Harold Anderson, of Aberdeen, Wash. She has returned to New York from the Coast to resume her dancing career.

IMPERIAL CONFERENCE A

IMPORTANT EMPIRE DISCUSSIONS TO BE HELD TO-DAY

London, To-day.

The Imperial Conference began serious business yesterday with meetings of the shipping and economic sub-committees, after which the former issued a communique stating that discussion centred on shipping and its vital importance to the Commonwealth.

Reuter understands that the meeting mainly dealt with methods of procedure, and before the next meeting statistics and documents, including the report of the Imperial Shipping Committee, will be circulated to members.

The main aspects of the question are understood to be flag discrimination and subsidised competition in the Pacific and elsewhere.

The meeting of the economics committee was also of an exploratory nature.

When the heads of delegations meet this afternoon it is understood that foreign affairs will be the chief topic.—Reuter.

The economic committee considered work of and progress report of the imperial economic committee.—British Wireless.

London, To-day.

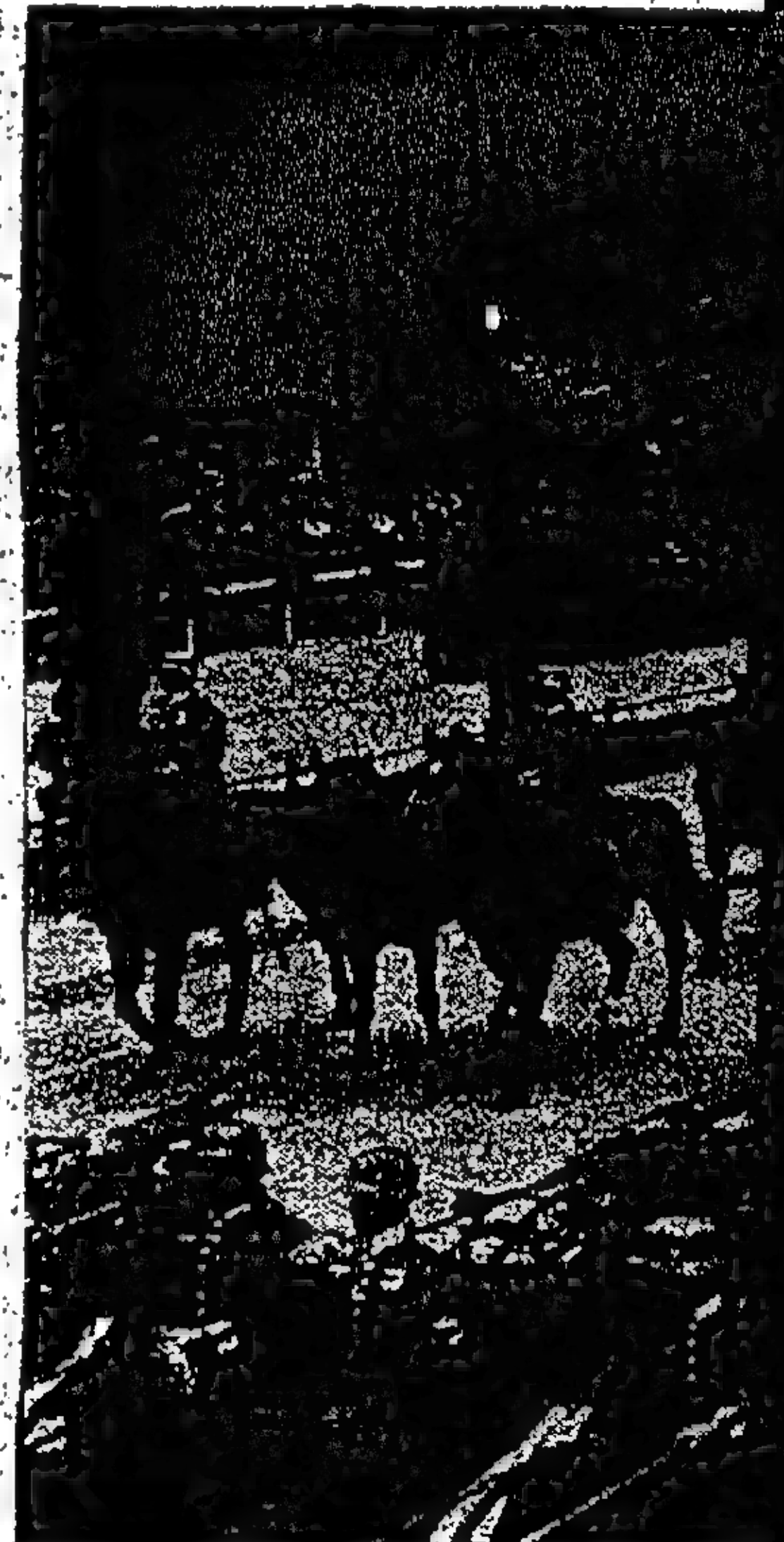
As a result of an informal meeting of the representatives of the delegations to the Imperial Conference

yesterday, it was decided to set up a committee to deal with constitutional questions, particularly in regard to nationality legislation. The Governments of Canada, South Africa and the Irish Free State have already passed legislation on this subject. The personnel of the committee will be agreed upon at a meeting of the heads of delegations to be held at No. 10, Downing Street this afternoon.

The committee dealing with shipping questions held its first meeting later and will, in the course of its deliberations, consider all aspects of the Imperial shipping problem including such questions as flag discrimination and subsidized competition.



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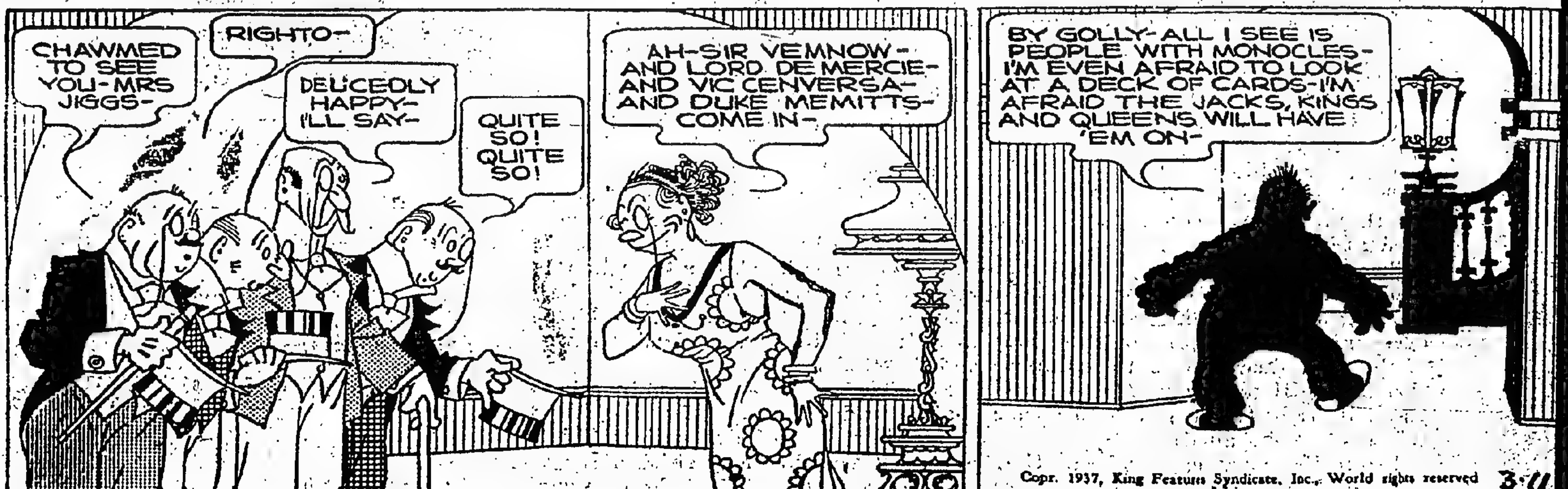


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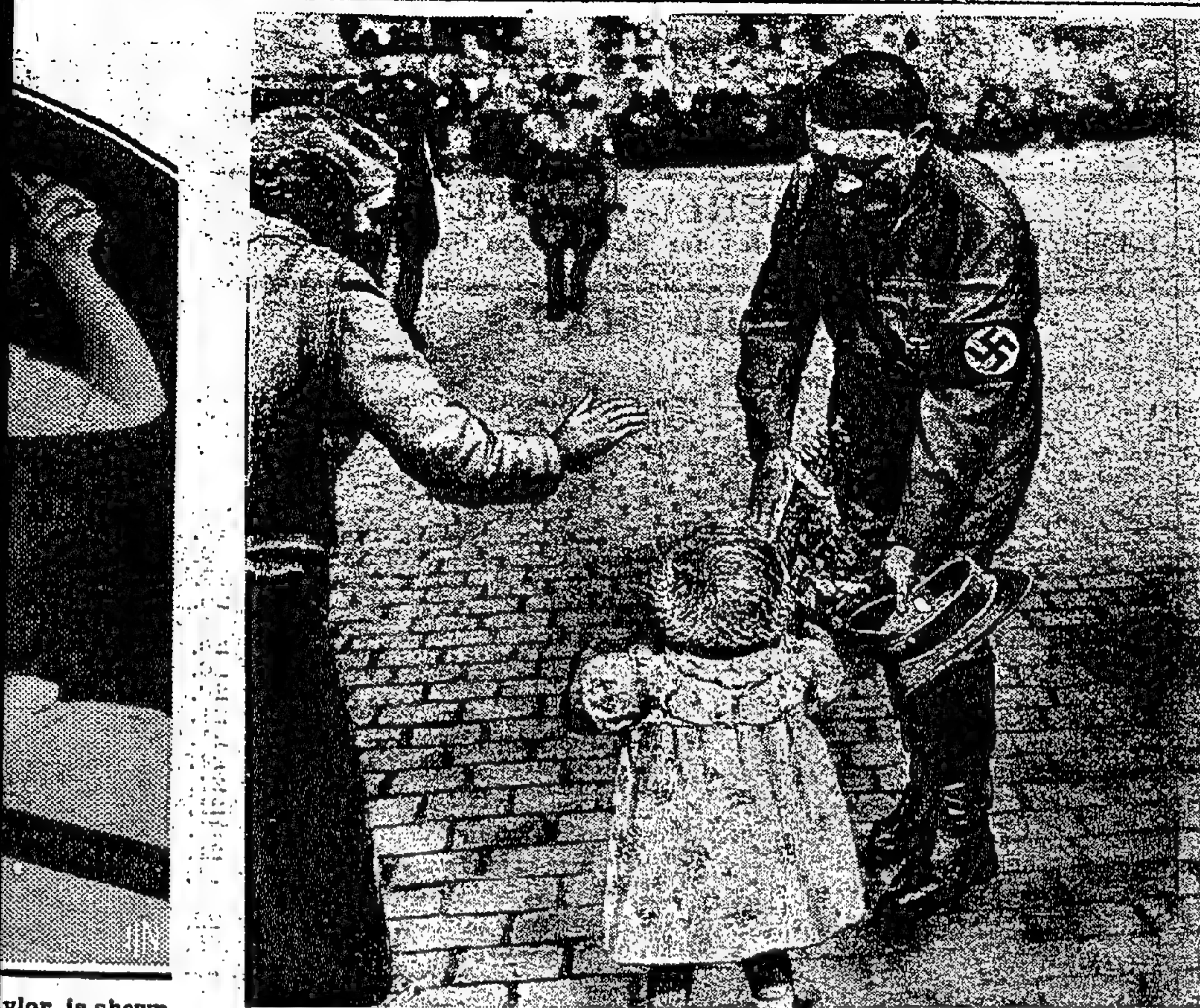
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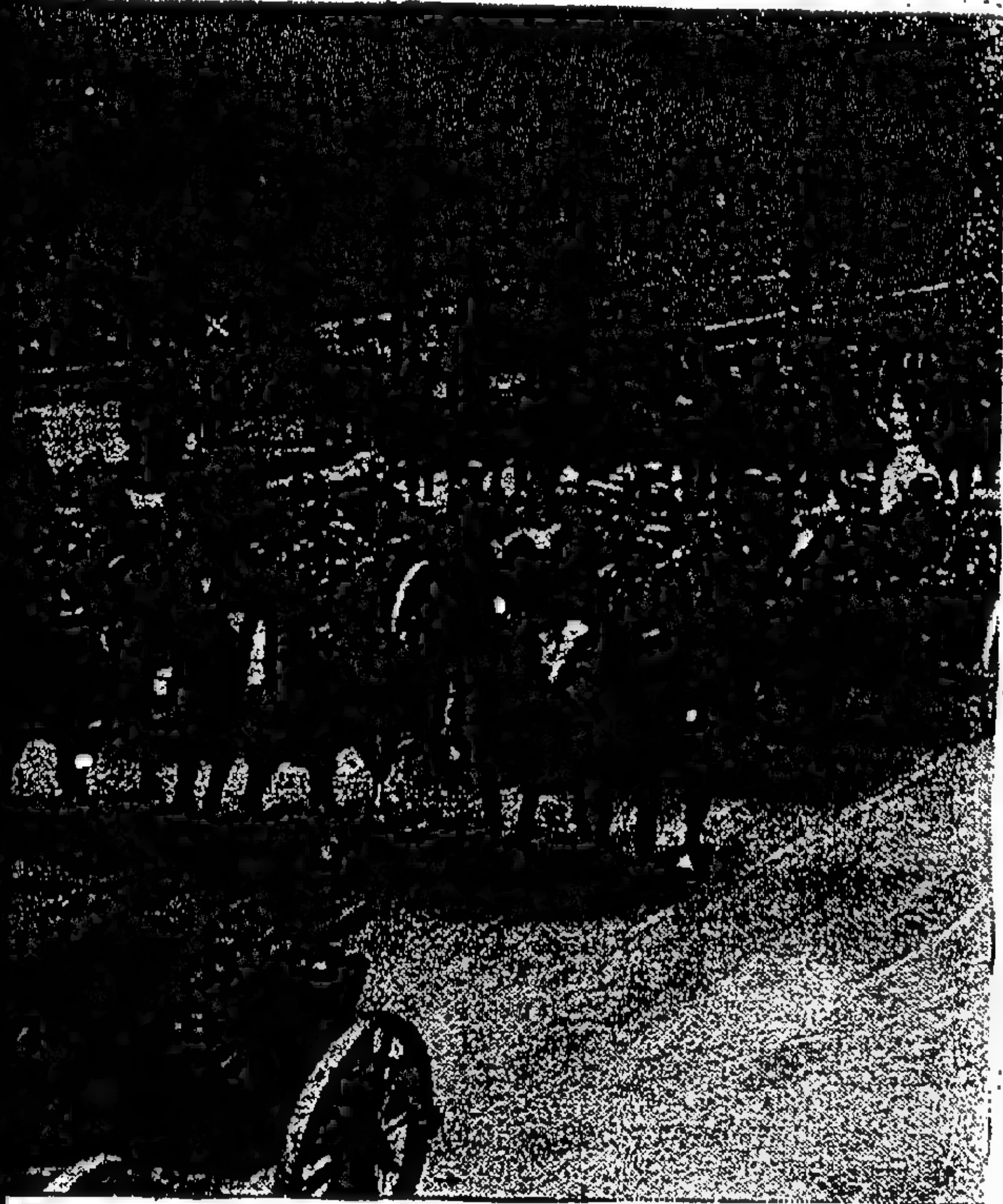
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erful army paraded past Herr Adolf Hitler on the occasion
t month. Herr Hitler (marked x) is seen extending his
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By George McManus



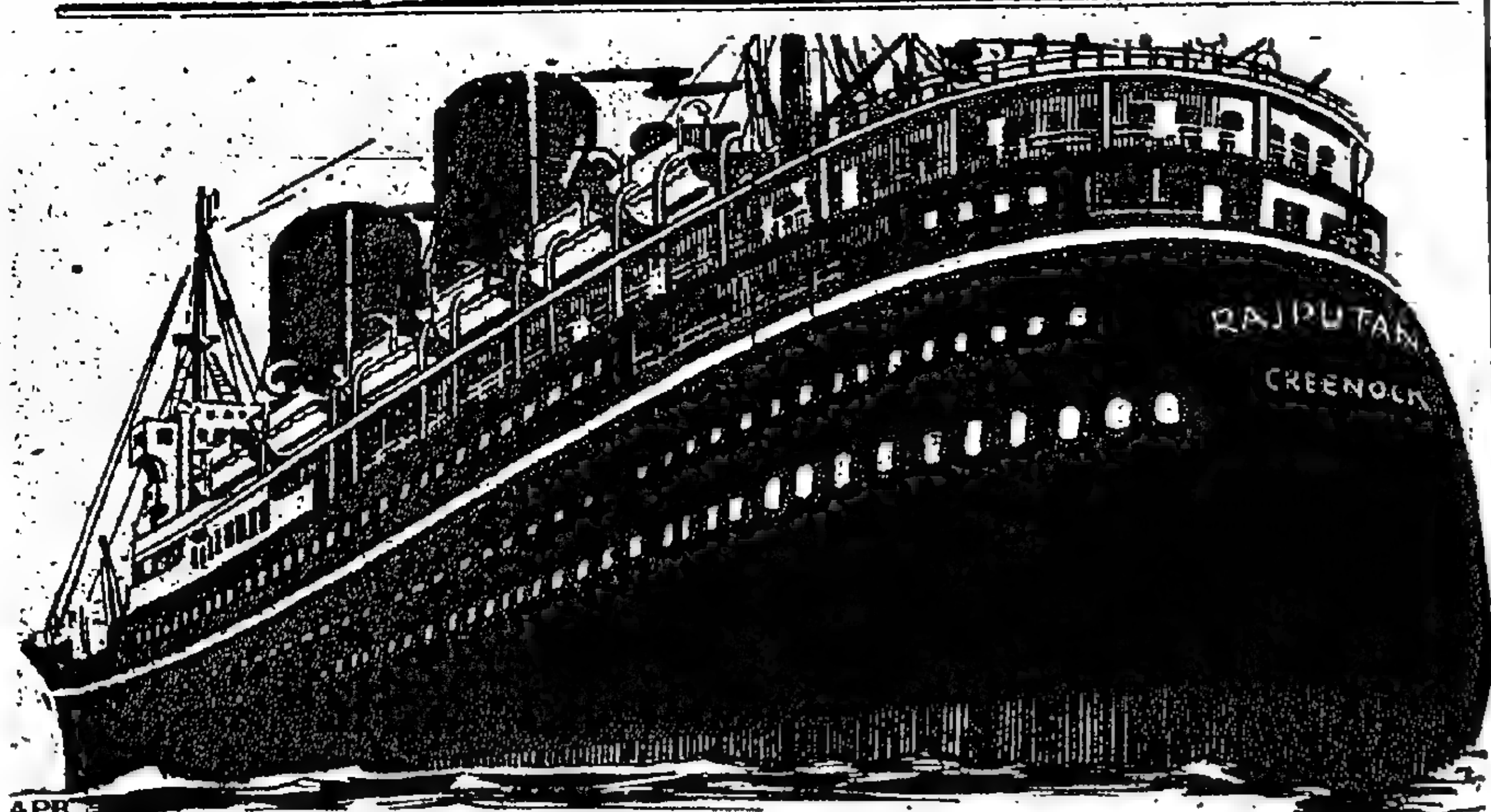
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Shanghai and Amoy	Pan American Airways Plane	May 19.
Straits	Shantung	May 19.
Australia and Manila	Tottori Maru	May 19.
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Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 1st May).		
Amoy	Chengtu	May 20.
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Straits	Fushimi Maru	May 21.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai—San Francisco, date 1st May	General Pershing	May 21.
Japan and Shanghai	Hakusan Maru	May 21.
Straits	President Coolidge	May 21.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai—San Francisco, 24th April	Somali	May 21.
Japan	Toyama Maru	May 21.
Japan	President Van Buren	May 22.
Java and Manila	Takooka Maru	May 22.
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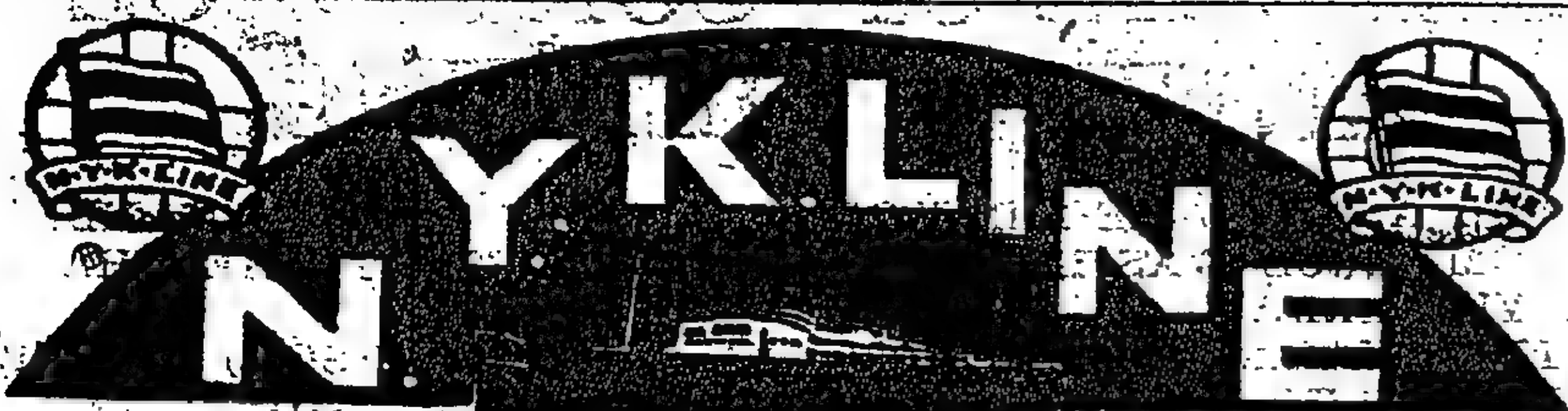
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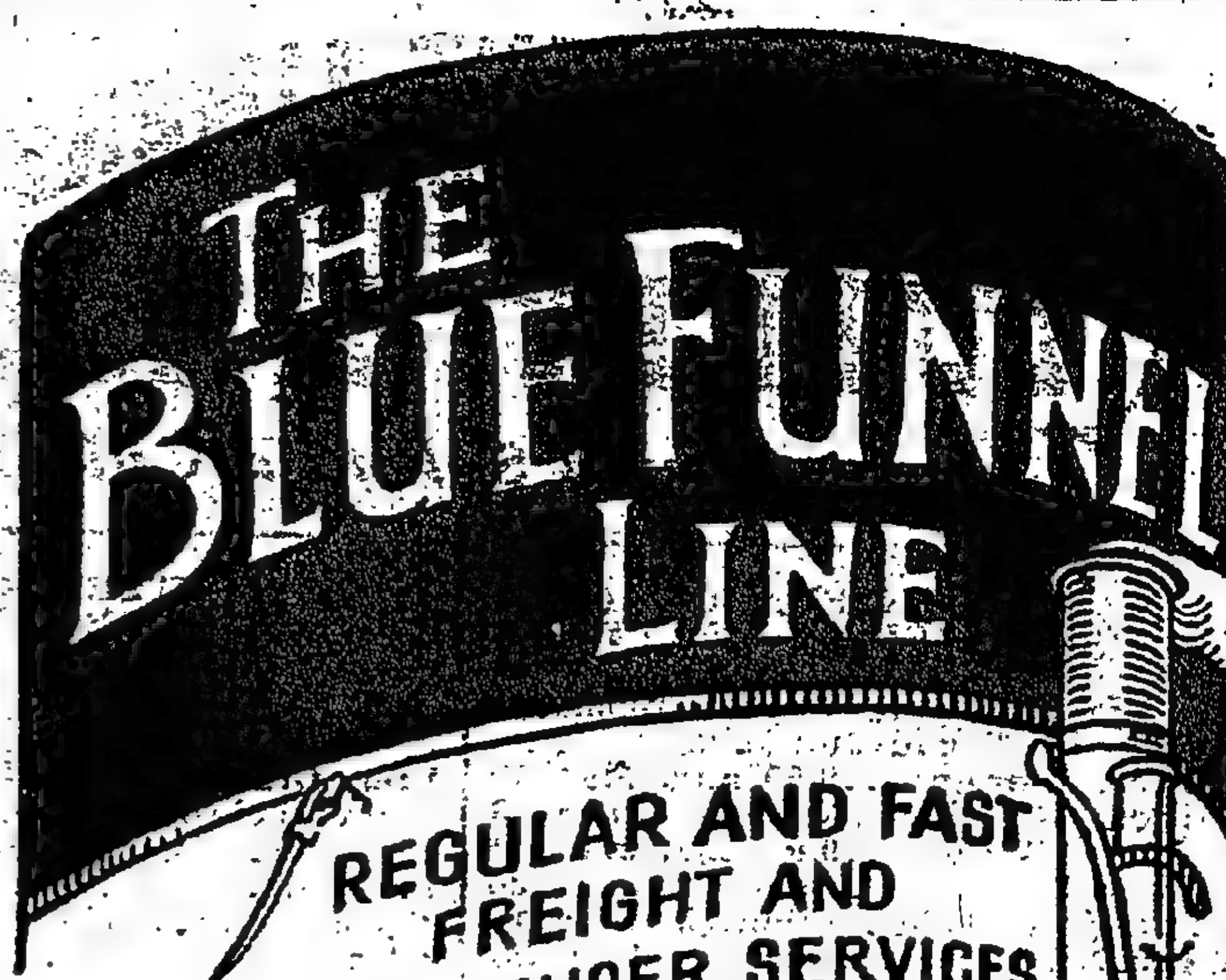
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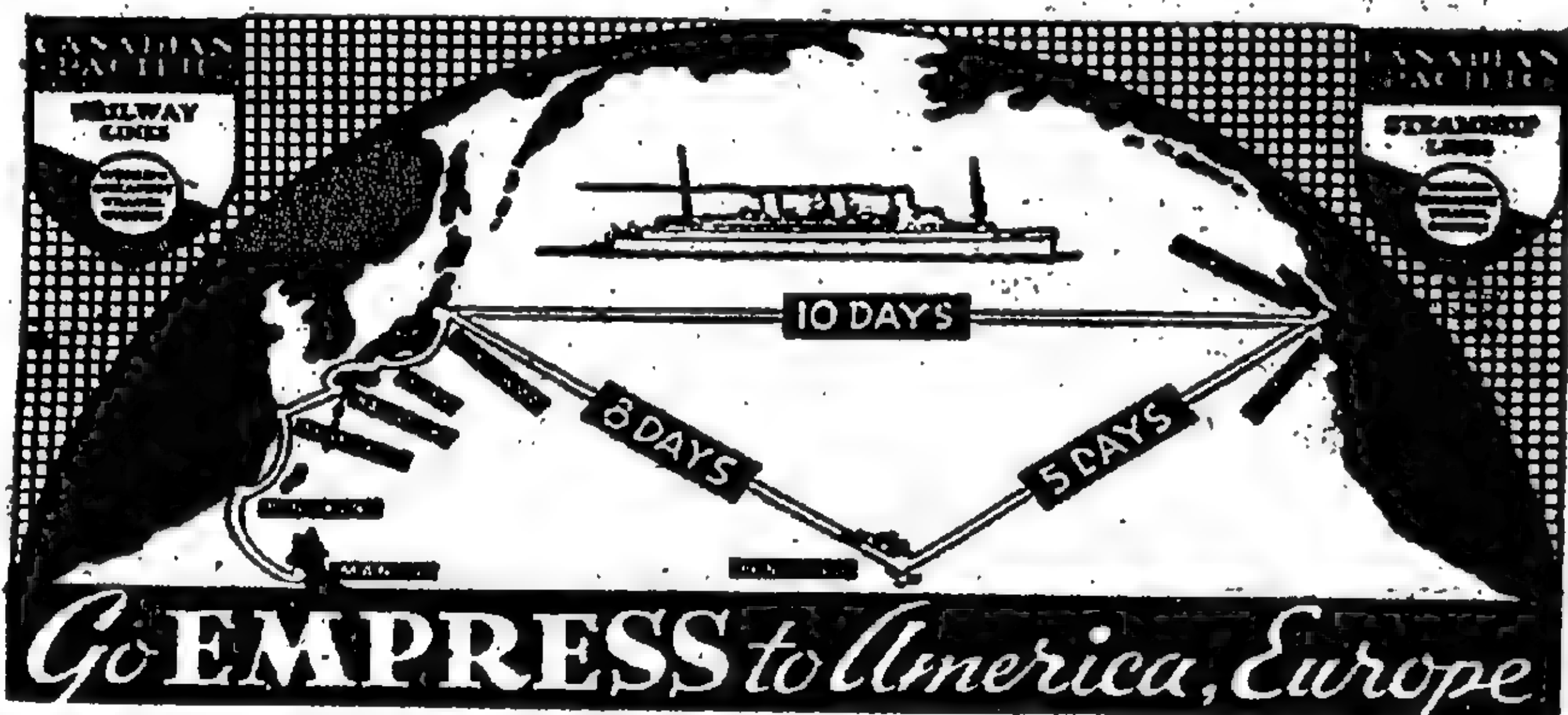
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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL MEETING

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HONG KONG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WAS HELD IN THE OFFICES OF THE CHAMBER YESTERDAY.

THE CHAIRMAN (THE HON. MR. M. T. JOHNSON) AFTER REFERRING TO MONDAY'S LAUNCH DISASTER, SAID:

Although the membership of this Chamber is international, all members live under the British flag. Meeting as we do in the week after the Coronation of Their Majesties the King and Queen, I am sure you would wish, as members of the Chamber, to be associated with the loyal address to the Crown presented by the Executive and Legislative Councils on May 12. We wish Their Majesties a long and peaceful reign.

TRANSFER OF GOVERNOR

The Committee makes reference in its report to the transfer, so soon after his appointment as Governor, of Sir Andrew Caldecott, although the regretted event actually took place in 1937. In conjunction with the China Association, we asked for reconsideration of the decision to remove a Governor who had shown such outstanding qualities of leadership and administrative ability, coupled with a personal charm which had quickly endeared him to us all. The Committee gratefully acknowledges the large number of letters received from members, representing all nationalities in the Chamber, endorsing the message sent to the Home Government. The Secretary of State sent a sympathetic reply but added that Sir Andrew's appointment to Ceylon was decided upon for reasons of high public policy and there could be no question of its reconsideration. We can only accept this decision, with profound regret.

AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT

The year has been marked by great developments of Hong Kong as an airport. On March 24, 1936, Imperial Airways inaugurated on a commercial basis the Penang—Hong Kong link with the main England—Australia route. With the inclusion on November 5th of Hong Kong as a port of call in the China National Aviation

Corporation's Shanghai—Canton route, Hong Kong became linked with the network of services now covering China. The last link in round-the-world air service was completed on the 28th of April this year, when Pan-American Airways included Hong Kong in their Trans-Pacific Service. Sir Andrew Caldecott did a great deal during the short time he was with us to foster these remarkable developments. The hopes expressed by your Chairman at the Annual Meeting last year that Hong Kong would become an important aviation junction have been quickly fulfilled.

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LOCAL DOLLAR DROPS!

London Silver Prices

The dollar opened on demand today at 1/2-13/16.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 20-3/8 and "forward," at 20-7/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.9433 and the New York on London cross-rate at £—U.S.\$4.941/2.

Singapore Raw Rubber

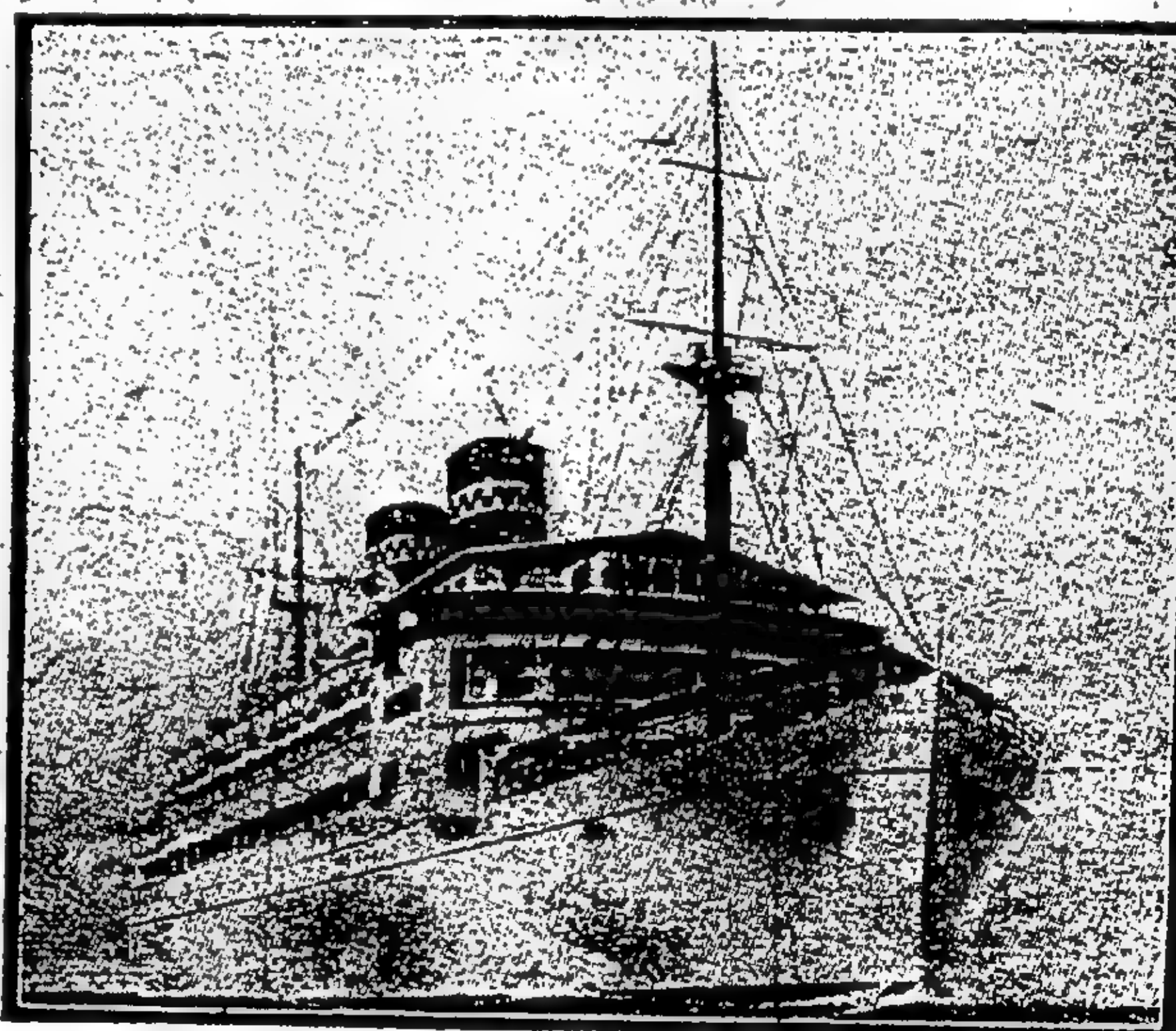
Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co. have received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

Spot 35 b. down 1/4.
June 35-3/4 b. down 1/4.
July/Sept. 35-3/4 b. down 1/4.
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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL MEETING

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STABILISED CURRENCY.

We have now had a full year's experience of stabilised currency. Prices have had time to adjust themselves, and one of the great anxieties which previously hampered merchants has been removed. No longer are market prices upset by the fact that some goods have been purchased at favourable, and some at unfavourable, rates of exchange. Removal of the temptation to take risks in exchange has steadied retail prices to the benefit of everybody concerned.

As a result of a low dollar, China is now able to compete in world markets which were lost to her when a high level of exchange ruled, and this expansion in exports should lead to improved import.

EMERGING FROM DEPRESSION

Better conditions in South China reflect favourably upon Hong Kong and signs are evident that the Colony is at last emerging from a long period of depression.

True, such hopes are tempered by realisation of the fact that Hong Kong is a small place, with little power to influence events in the world at large. May the bitter remembrance of twenty years ago induce the nations to pursue the paths of peace, that the world be not again plunged into the abyss from which it is slowly emerging.

IMPERIAL PREFERENCE

You will gather from the Annual Report that the working of Imperial Preference now monopolises a great deal of the time of the Committees and staff of this Chamber. With the approaching revision of the Ottawa Agreements the Hong Kong Government has been in close consultation with the Chamber throughout the year, and the Imperial Preference Subcommittee has had a busy time. We were asked, in the first place, for our comments in reply to the general question, "What Hong Kong wants and what Hong Kong can give." The answer to that question is too long to go asked for more generous treatment from some of the Dominions and for uniformity of treatment from the rest of the non-self-governing Empire.

EMPIRE CONTENT

For our part we have agreed that Hong Kong must do all it can to give satisfactory proof of the Empire content of goods exported under Imperial Preference. Towards securing that, the Chamber has agreed to a suggestion by the Colonial Office that statements by manufacturers should be backed by accountants' certificates to the effect that costings have been checked and claims verified; or that only Empire materials have entered into the manufacture of the goods. We have also agreed that, wherever possible, materials as well as labour should be of Empire origin.

EXPORT PROBLEMS

The Export Committee, also, has been busily engaged in negotiations regarding increases in freight rates, and in considering problems connected with the export of tin and of cassia oil. They also have under consideration a ruling by the United Kingdom Customs Authorities concerning the origin of lard exported from Hong Kong. In these matters correspondence is proceeding, but a conclusion has not yet been reached.

CONGRATULATIONS

In thanking the General Committee on your behalf for their arduous work during the year, I am sure you will wish me to convey your congratulations to Sir Vandeleur Grayburn upon the honour he has received from His Majesty the King in the Coronation Honours List. As members of the business community we have special reason to know that this honour is thoroughly deserved.

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HOCKEY PROTEST DISMISSED

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING

K.I.T.C. SECRETARY AS WITNESS

The Rev. J. R. Higgs, Vice-President of the Mamak Hockey Tournament, emphatically stressed the need of a higher standard of sportsmanship at hockey when an extraordinary general committee meeting of the Mamak Hockey Tournament was held at St. Andrew's Church Hall yesterday.

The meeting dealt with a letter from the Secretary of the Central British Association, regarding the ruling given by the Executive Committee to a protest received from the C.B.A. alleging the Radio Sports Club played an ineligible player in the Championship match, on April 22, which Radio won.

Capt. G. W. P. Kimm (Chairman) was assisted by the Rev. J. R. Higgs (Vice-President), Conductor G. E. Clarke (Secretary) and Sub-Inspector L. T. Tyler (Secretary of the Hockey Association).

Representatives of the following teams were present: R.E., R.A.O.C., K.I.T.C., Radio, Nomads, Argonauts, R.U.R., R.C. Signals, R.W.F. and C.B.A.

The Central British Association based their allegation on the rule "A player may not play for more than one club in one season without permission from the Executive Committee and the Clubs concerned."

C.B.A. EVIDENCE

In support of their case, the C.B.A. called Mr. K. Hussain, Secretary of the K.I.T.C. hockey section. He said that Mr. A. E. P. Guest (Captain of the Radio team, and representing the Radio Club in the meeting) was present at the game and had inquired the name of Singh. If Singh were a member of the Radio Sports Club, as contended by Mr. Guest, this would not have been necessary. After this game Singh had expressed the desire of joining the hockey section of the K.I.T.C. and from that moment he was considered to be a member.

In the game between the C.B.A. and the Radio Club Mr. Hussain said that just before it started Radio was short of a player. Mr. Guest had seen Singh and had asked him to play for the Radio. Mr. Guest had told him (Mr. Hussain) not to say a word about this but according to the wish of his Club's committee he was now doing so. Concluding, the speaker said that Singh as a member of the K.I.T.C. Club should not have played for the Radio.

ENTRY FORM

Replying Mr. Guest said that Singh was a member of the Radio Sports Club, and an entrance form and receipt was produced to prove this.

TOURNAMENT HOCKEY OVER

Mr. Higgs remarked that he thought that the rule had not been contravened.

The protest was then put to the

Four Players To Be Seen STANDARD AS GOOD AS IN COLONY NATIONAL GAME ALMOST ON SAME LINES

UNOFFICIAL INTERPORT PROGRAMME

(By "ADREM")

IF the form shown by the visiting Siamese badminton team in a knock-up at Club de Recreio last night is any criterion, local badminton enthusiasts are scheduled to be treated to an excellent exhibition over the week-end when unofficial Interport matches will be arranged to take place on Friday and Saturday.

ALTHOUGH THE PARTY CONSISTS OF SIX, ONLY FOUR OF THESE CONSTITUTE THE TEAM. MR. KHUN BURANAVETYA OF THE SIAMESE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND CHIEF OF THE SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC SPORTS SECTION HAS MADE THE TRIP AS A VACATION IN WHICH HE HOPES TO COMBINE A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF BUSINESS IN THE STUDY OF THE VARIOUS SPORTS AND PHYSICAL TRAINING PROGRAMMES INCLUDED IN LOCAL CURRICULUMS.

Mr. Rangsit is also not a badminton player in the accepted sense of the word, but he is the Siamese champion in a game, developed on badminton rules which has recently been adopted as an official sport in Siam and in which he is the current champion.

As stated, this game is played on a badminton court with all badminton fixtures with the exception of the racket and the shuttle. A round rattan ball is used and is served by foot. Thereafter, any means can be used to keep the ball in play. It may be kicked or headed or shouldered over, but any use of the hands, is penalised.

An exhibition was given at the Kowloon Tong Club last night, where the entire party was engaged in practice with Club members.

VERY GOOD STANDARD

On Monday evening, the Siamese tourists indulged in a knock-up at the Club de Recreio and, according to Mr. E. da Sousa, one of the finest judges of the game in the Colony, they are well up to local standard and should acquit themselves with credit against the best in Hong Kong.

With this end in view, Mr. S. A. Gray, Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Badminton Association was communicated with and has arranged for leading local players to participate in unofficial representative games to be held on Friday and Saturday.

vote and was dismissed by eight votes to six. Representatives of the C.B.A. and Radio Sports Club did not vote.

Concluding the meeting Mr. Higgs said: I think we all should aim at hockey of a higher standard of sportsmanship. Let us get down to good clean hockey. After all what I have heard this evening I feel the days of tournament hockey are over.

The Chairman then announced that there was \$300 left over at the end of the season and suggested that those present think of a means of disposing it. The idea of a dinner dance was suggested and as this was unanimously seconded, a sub-committee was formed to take charge of this.

participate in unofficial representative games to be held on Friday and Saturday.

PUBLIC SUPPORT WANTED

The badminton public is urged to give these matches their best support as if they prove successful they may be the forerunners of regular Interport games between Siam and Hong Kong.

LEAVE NEXT SUNDAY

As the Siamese players have to leave next Sunday, it has been found impossible in the short time to arrange matches with clubs. However, an unofficial Interport will be staged at Club de Recreio next Friday and Saturday, both programmes starting at 9 o'clock. Admission will be 50 cents each night.

Programme consists of two doubles and one singles on Friday, and a similar programme on Saturday. In addition, on both nights, the Siamese will demonstrate the intricate ball game which is played throughout Siam. For this purpose Rangsit Puntumsut, champion player of Siam, has come here with the badminton team. He will play with the badminton players in the ball games.

RESPECTIVE TEAMS

Siam's badminton team will be: Singles—Chart Shaw (captain) and Choot Shaw.

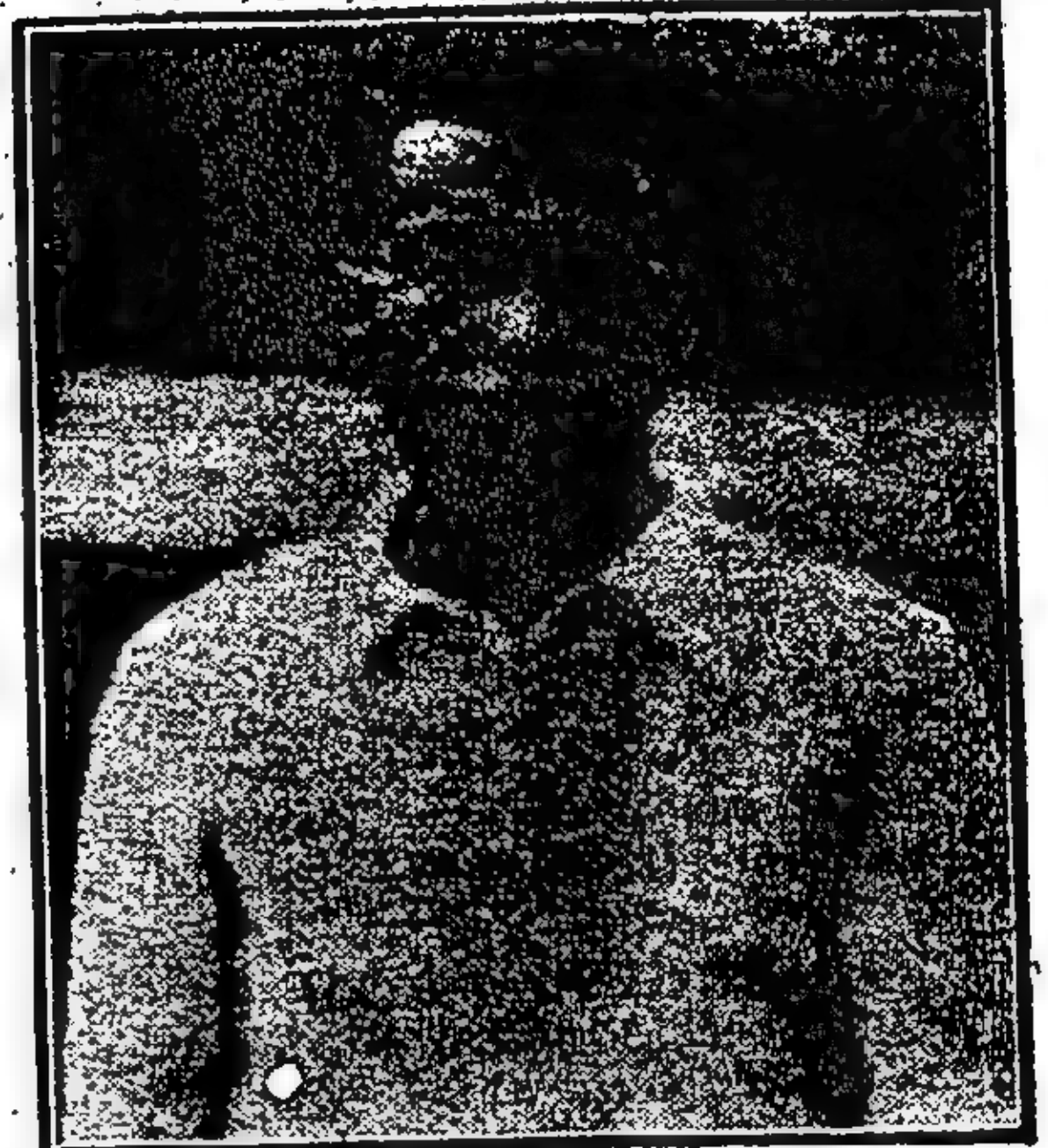
Doubles—Chart Shaw and Choot Shaw, Umporn and Lek. Both pairs will play twice.

Hong Kong will invite the following players to participate:

Singles—P. H. Wong and P. K. Hui. Doubles—P. H. Wong and C. E. Chng, M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios, P. K. Hui and T. C. Lee, W. C. Choy and S. P. Chan.

To-morrow evening the visitors will play a match at Recreio against Recreio players.

In charge of the team is K. Buranavetya, chief of the School's Athletic Sports Section attached to the Physical Education Department of Siam.



Tsui Wai-pui, above, was featured on the winning side of a doubles encounter in the French Open Lawn Tennis Championship yesterday, when, partnered by W. C. Choy, they were leading Journu and Martin Legacy by 4 games to 1 when a thunderstorm prevented further play.

SIAMESE BADMINTON TOURISTS

NATIONAL GAME MUCH FASTER

PLAYERS SEEN AT KOWLOON TONG

(By "ADREM")

Chart Shaw and Choot Shaw, leading players of the Siamese touring badminton team, revealed form in a practice game at Kowloon Tong Club last night, comparable to the best in the Colony and, although showing a weakness in their short game, due to their familiarity with the outdoor game, they, nevertheless, exploited some excellent strokes and showed a keen knowledge of courtcraft.

What impressed me more than anything was their fine overhead. Their smashing was devastating, the weakest of them in this department, being almost as severe and as accurate as such a fine local exponent as T. C. Lee, to give a well-known example.

Umporn and Lek, who were defeated by a Kowloon Tong pairing last night, were obviously out of touch and found the lighter shuttle and indoor lighting a great handicap. With more practice under local conditions, however, they should develop into a very useful second string, although I do not think they will show up very well against our best local players.

SIAMESE GAME FASTER

All four players told me last night, that the game, as played in Siam, is very much faster, the outdoor shuttle being much heavier and livelier. As a consequence the short game has been somewhat neglected, and they now realise that to attain any great prominence at badminton, they will have to work this phase of the game up considerably.

Interspersed with the badminton, an exhibition was given of the game that is fast becoming the national pastime of Siam. Played on an ordinary badminton court, a fairly large rattan ball is used, which is remarkably light and live-

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AUSTIN'S TRIUMPH OVER BOUSSUS



H. W. "Bunny" Austin, above, was featured in a thrilling duel with Christian Boussus, of France, in the final of the Brighton Tournament, which the former won convincingly.

TATE OUT OF SUSSEX CRICKET TEAM

Reserved For More Important Games

London, April 24.

Maurice Tate, the former England bowler, is not in the Sussex team for the county's first three championship matches.

Mr. A. E. R. Gilligan, who helps to choose the side, said yesterday: "Everyone knows that Tate is willing and there is no slight on his ability."

We want him to be fresh for matches within the county, so that the crowds will be able to see him. He will come into the side for the match at Lord's with Middlesex on May 15."

The team to play against Worcestershire, Nottinghamshire and Glamorgan is: A. J. Holmes, John Langridge, James Langridge, T. Cook, J. Parks, H. Parks, W. Cornford, J. Cornford, Hammond, G. Cox, jnr., and C. Oakes.

SIAMESE BADMINTON TOURISTS

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ly. Served by kicking, each player is allowed to touch the ball only three times in returning it over the net.

All four who participated, showed uncanny control and astonished the fair number of spectators with their dexterity.

Every part of the body can be used with the exception of the hands and the game has been worked up to a fine art. A favourite means of dealing with a deep ball is to check it on the thigh, jockey it into position, and then return it with a powerful and well-directed kick. The "kill" is usually played with the head or the shoulder the ball being manoeuvred close to the net and then forced down hard over the other side.

"KILLED" WITH FOOT!

To play the game successfully, one must develop great suppleness in the legs as on several occasions balls as high as the top of the net were played with the foot.

I am quite certain that those who attend the unofficial Inter-ports next Friday and Saturday will be greatly taken up with what, in my opinion, is one of the most skilful games I have ever seen.

BRITISH CHAMPION IN BRILLIANT FORM

SEN. LIZANA AGAIN DEFEATS MISS ROUND CHILEAN'S BRIGHTON TREBLE

(By A. WALLIS MYERS)

London, April 26.

HONOURS were divided between the home country and overseas at Brighton on Saturday. A big gallery watched H. W. Austin, all his resources taxed by the scientific display of an astute strategist, defeat Christian Boussus — ranked No. 1 in France at the end of 1935 — in two sets (7-5, 6-3).

THEN, AFTER VISUALISING A DOUBLE HOME TRIUMPH WHEN MISS ROUND TOOK A LOVE SET FROM SENORITA LIZANA, THEY SAW THE CHILEAN CHAMPION COME TO LIFE AND COMPLETELY DOMINATE THE BRITISH EX-CHAMPION FOR THE REST OF THE MATCH — AN AMAZING DENOUEMENT.

Austin showed a champion's quality that was missing last year. He was playing a master of slow court tactics on a surface that checked Austin's flowing drives and placed a premium on defence and mobility. He had a recollection of the success which had attended the insidious manoeuvres of Boussus against him in Paris, and more than once on Saturday, when he was racing forward to recover a drop shot that squirmed in the sand, he must have prayed for a turf surface to quicken up the game.

It was to his mental and physical credit that he collected the first set after losing his early lead of 3-1 and 4-2, and finding that the Frenchmen had many dazzling shots in reserve. Only patience and will-power won it, and if he was aided by some surprising errors from his opponent, he deserved this fortune of the brave.

FRENCHMAN'S LAPSES

I confess that had Boussus accepted the easy volley which came to give him the sixth game, thus making the score three—all instead of 4-2 to Austin, there might have been a longer duel. For the Frenchman took the seventh game with the strokes of a genius and was 40-15 in the eighth.

He then missed another sitter and Austin had four set-balls in the long ninth game, one of the best of the match. The Boussus dropshot—as delicate a flick with the backhand as any connoisseur of good tennis could wish to see—was then displayed with profitable results, and the vital game was saved.

PLAYERS LEVEL

Austin's forehand reflected a little of the strain in the tenth game; he lost it from 15 and for the first time the men were level.

This was a crisis, but Austin came through it with high courage. He saved a game point and then went to 6-5 with a gorgeous stopvolley. A double fault by Boussus and some well-directed smashes in reply to equally well-controlled lobs gave him the set game.

In the second set Boussus showed that his best had gone. The fitter of the two, Austin went serenely to 3-0, had to resist another challenge after 5-2, but was out, a confident winner and one who had mastered difficult conditions, in the ninth game.

MISS ROUND'S GOOD START

Miss Round's love set occupied just 13 minutes. She could do nothing wrong and her opponent nothing right. In the only game that the Senorita had a chance of winning she sacrificed by two double



In view of Miss Dorothy Round's poor form this season — she has succumbed to Senorita Anita Lizana, of Chile, three times so far — Great Britain is pinning its hopes on Miss Kay Stammers, above, at the Wimbledon championship this season.

tory over Miss Round and Miss Dearman in the final of the women's doubles. Paired with the fleet-footed Kho Sin Kie, of China, she defeated Brugnon and Miss Dearman in the 14th game of the final set as night was falling.

GENIUS FOR DOUBLES

Miss Scott's genius for the doubles game was given full reign in the women's final. Though exuberance sometimes caused her to take her opponent's shots it was due to her skill that her side took the first set in the ninth game and overhauled a four-love lead in the second set.

A drive of Miss Scott's down the middle gave England and Chile the first set. Miss Round began loosely, but found the corners with her deep drives at the opening of the second set.

France met New Zealand in the final of the men's doubles and gained a narrow victory. Boussus seemed tired, but he had an heroic partner, whose fine fore-hand drives and top-spin lobs won many points. Finals:

Men's Singles.—H. W. Austin bt C. Boussus 7-5, 6-3.

Women's Singles.—Senorita A. Lizana bt Miss D. E. Round 0-6, 6-2, 6-2.

Men's Doubles.—J. Brugnon & Boussus bt C. E. Malfroy & A. C. Stedman 8-6, 0-6, 6-4.

Women's Doubles.—Senorita Lizana & Miss V. E. Scott bt Miss Round & Miss D. M. Dearman 6-3, 7-5.

Mixed Doubles.—Kho Sin Kie & Senorita Lizana bt Brugnon & Miss Dearman 6-3, 3-6, 8-6.

LONNON AGAIN CAMBRIDGE PRESIDENT

Unusual Step By Boat Club

London, April 26.

Cambridge University Boat Club on Saturday took the unusual step of re-electing M. P. Lonnon (Third Trinity) as President for the next twelve months.

It is seldom an oarsman serves two years as President. H. W. Mason, who was hon. secretary at the time of the Boat Race last month, would normally have succeeded Lonnon, but he will not be in residence next winter.

Lonnon, who obtained his Blue as a freshman, is only in his third year at Cambridge. A. R. Burrough (Jesus) is the new hon. secretary. The Cambridge May races will be rowed on June 9-12.

\$25 A WEEK OFFER TO ARSENAL STAR

Poland Anxious To Have Alex James

Alex James, the famous Arsenal star, has received an offer of \$25 a week to coach the Polish national team next season.

"I have not made up my mind what I shall do about it," James said yesterday. He had never been to Poland, but he had friends in that country.

So far he has not signed on again for the Arsenal, which has not yet published the list of players re-engaged for next season.

faults. The English girl won a procession of points.

But the Chilean champion always begins her matches on a soft note and with a casual air. In the second and third sets she was an inspired player, impregnable in defence, brilliant in attack. Her resurrection seemed to unnerve Miss Round, and until the end was almost reached she was as erratic as previously she had been steady.

THE REASON WHY

Miss Round won two games in the second and third sets, but she never looked like fighting back to level terms. Double faults added to her opponent's point score, but what I think caused her defeat was the discovery that, even on a slow sand court, the Chilean could generate the pace to prevent a retaliatory length, and could reach most of her wide drives and make a tantalising lob or circumventing drive.

This was the Chilean's third victory in sequence over England's No. 1.

Senorita Lizana was undefeated. She claimed both doubles titles — a credit to her ability to play in double harness. Resuming a partnership with Miss Valerie Scott, begun at Beckenham last summer, the Senorita gained a two-set vic-

BRIGHTON'S INTERNATIONAL SEMI-FINALS

How Boussus Beat Kho Sin Kie

MISS SCOTT'S PROMISE

(By A. WALLIS MYERS)

London, April 23.

The semi-finalists in the men's singles at Brighton are all of different nationality, and to-day Austin will play MacPhail (Scotland) and Alan Stedman (New Zealand), will oppose Boussus (France). None of these survivors forfeited a set in the fourth round; indeed, three of the four matches lacked the lustre of a bustling fight.

It was expected that Kho Sin Kie would threaten Boussus as he had done recently in Monte Carlo — he led 4—3 in the final set — but the Chinese must have been infected by the strong Brighton air for he was always too bouyant to disturb the even flow of the Frenchman's progress.

Boussus wisely played a cautious game, remembering that a damp surface favoured his backhand slice and was calculated to force errors from an opponent who prefers the quick sharp rally. Although several games that Kho Sin Kie lost went to deuce, the Frenchman always looked as if he had command of the match.

PLAYER EXPLAINS

I asked him afterwards why he thought the Chinese had recently defeated De Stefani twice in Athens and his answer probably explained his own tactics yesterday. The Italian champion is ambidextrous and doubtless found it difficult to change hands against the Chinese, who plays all his strokes with a minimum of time between each.

By employing the loop drive with top spin, Boussus, as I have seen him do in Paris against Perry, forced the rapid stroke-maker to make his own pace.

FIVE IN A ROW

Ritchie found Macphail's spinful shots down his forehand line unpleasantly accurate. The Scot captured the first set from 3—1 down, taking five games in a row, and he had two match balls in the ninth game of the second set.

Both these points were gallantly saved by Ritchie, and he got to within a stroke of 5—all. But though the Englishman made some good passing shots on his weaker forehand, and some capital volleys, he lacked the ground stroke length of MacPhail.

INVITING SECOND SERVICE

Austin and Stedman had accommodating opponents. The first was in another class to Daffe and Stedman was invited to hit Robertson's second service for a winner by its easy pace.

Neither Senorita Lizana nor Miss Round looked quite like a champion yesterday, and both were making errors that cost not only points, but games.

I was told that the Chilean champion was feeling unwell. Whatever the cause—and it may have been the unexpectedly robust resistance of Miss Jarvis, who raced after every ball with great spirit—she was threatened with the loss of the first set and had to play 14 games to win it.

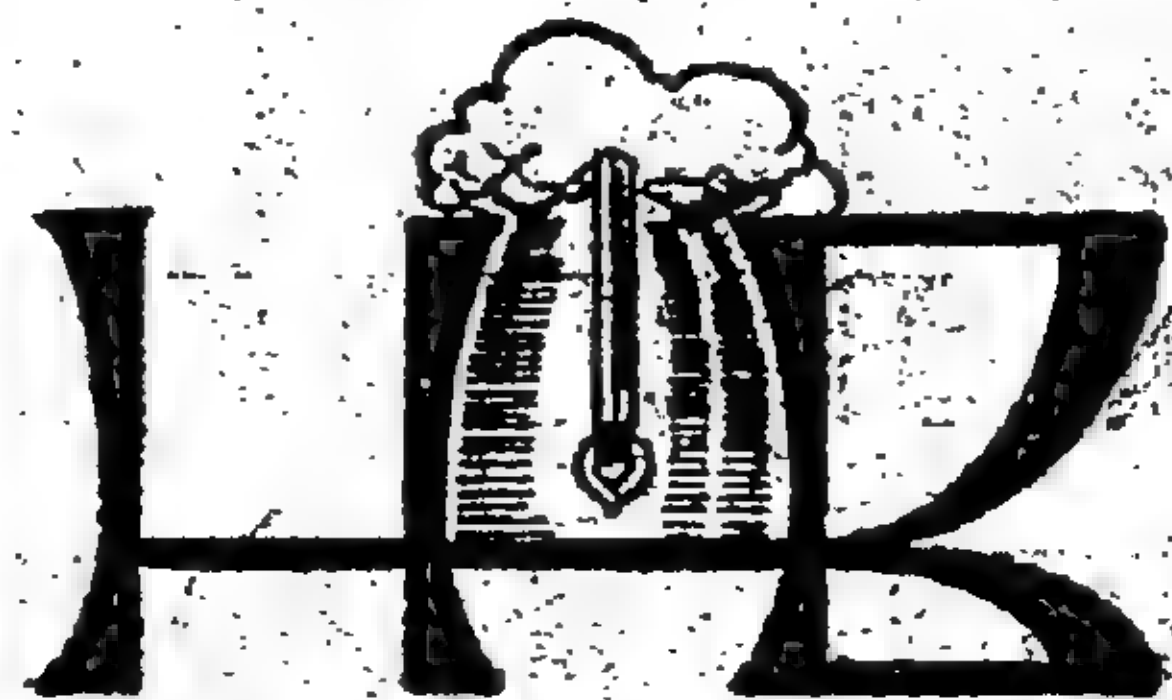
MISS SCOTT'S PROMISE

Of all the semi-finalists Miss Valerie Scott played with most exuberance and her match against Miss Harvey was the best of the

day. Miss Scott's ground strokes have not only improved; she now selects the right one on which to advance to employ her volleying flare.

After a tour de force in the first set she discovered that Miss Harvey had only just begun to fight and it was not until she had made some really marvellous stop volleys at the crisis of the final set that victory was certain.

Miss Scott has not long left the junior class, but she already possesses many of the qualities, of which a really aggressive service is one, that have made Miss Alice Marble champion of America. If she does not overtax her strength by playing every week and in every event she ought to go far.



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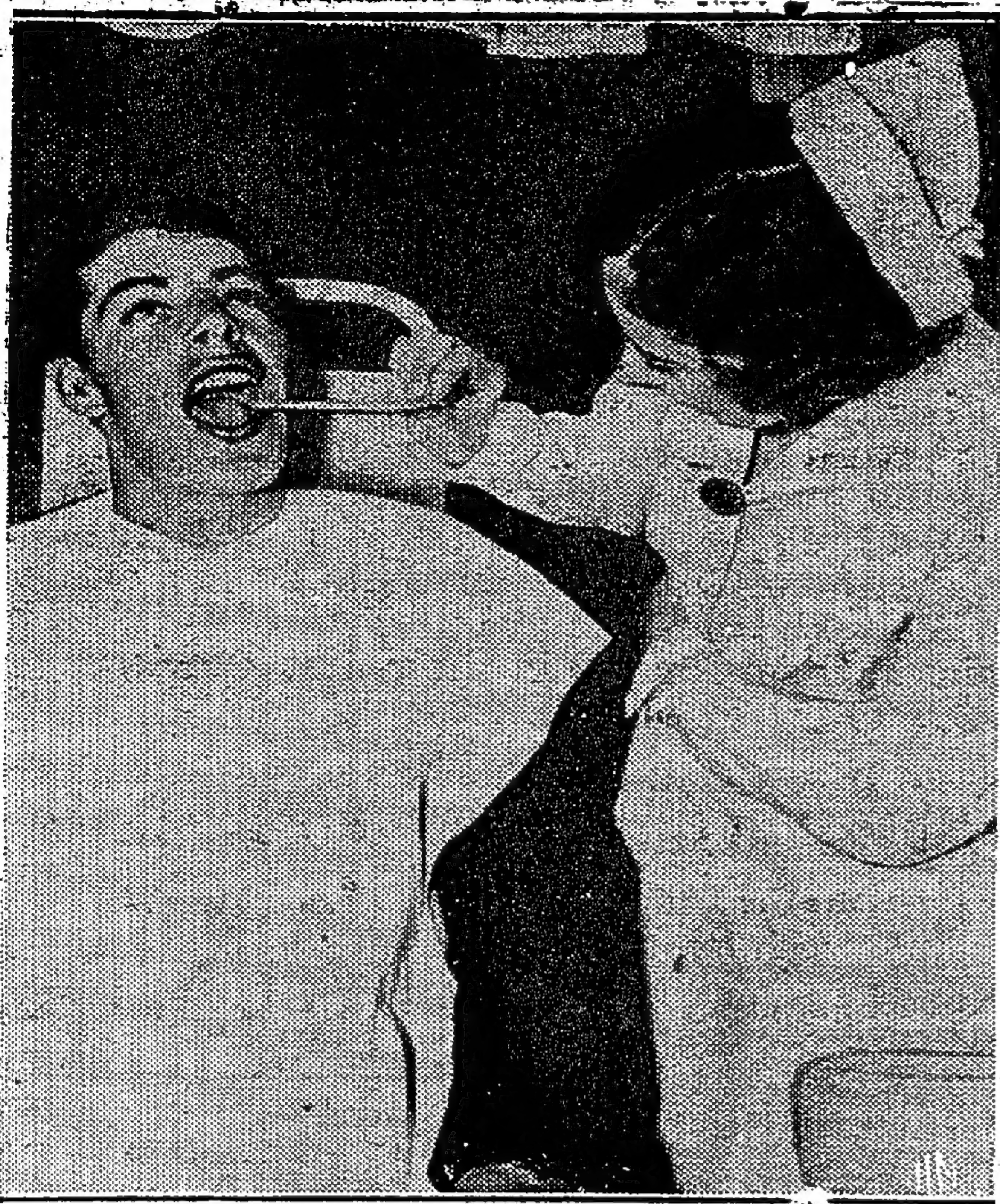
NOTTS APPEAL FOR £6,000

Nottinghamshire County Cricket Club are appealing for at least £6,000 to place the club in a sound financial position and to provide for working expenses during this season. Already more than £3,000 in donations has been received or promised.

LEICESTERSHIRE AND CRICKET FIXTURES

London, April 24.—Mr. Lindsay Everard, M.P., president of the Leicestershire C.C.C., stated at yesterday's annual meeting that he and the secretary paid a visit to Lord's as a result of which the club would have a greatly improved fixture list during 1938.

Leicestershire suggested that there should be an independent tribunal to make the fixtures for the first-class counties, taking into consideration established cricket weeks and Bank holiday matches.



Joe Di Maggio, Yankee's slugging outfielder, whose ailing tonsils were ordered to be removed after an inspection, is here saying "Ah" during an examination by Nurse Frances Dujat, in New York.

HOW CITY WON LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

DOHERTY INSPIRES WIN OVER SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY

London, April 26.

IN beating Sheffield Wednesday at Maine-road, Manchester City set the seal on a non-stop run of 21 matches without defeat, which has won them the First Division championship for the first time in their 43 years' history as a League club.

There were enthusiastic scenes at the end when the crowd surged over the ground, though they were prevented from carrying off the players in their delight by a strong force of police.

Lining up in front of the stands, they would not disperse until Mr. "Bob" Smith, the chairman of the club, and Barkas, the captain of the team, had acknowledged their greetings and that they had come prepared to cheer exultantly was proved during the match itself.

Every goal the City scored was received by tumultuous applause and a fanfare of trumpets, and though the game had run almost 20-minutes before the first arrived the match was in their safe keeping before the interval.

It was not until a minute from the end that Brook obtained the fourth goal, but the first three, scored during a spell of 13 minutes in the first half, knocked the bottom out of the Wednesday's hopes, practically doomed them to relegation, and served as another reminder of the magnificent part Doherty has played in Manchester City's triumphant march.

HIS PART IN THE GOALS

Every one was the result of the Irishman's genius. He continued the spadework done by Percival to leave Brook with a clear field for the first, gave Tilson a simple chance, the second by a dazzling run, and, not to be outdone, scored the third himself after a delightful exchange of passes with Tilson.

The Wednesday were simply run off their feet during this brilliant

phase, but they obtained a consolation goal a quarter of an hour from the end, when Rimmer netted after Swift had parried a point-blank drive by Luke.

REWARD FOR PLUCK

This goal was a just reward for the plucky fight the Wednesday made in the second half, though they were never the equals of the champions. Robinson and Drury were skilful inside forwards, but the Wednesday were outmatched in other respects, and the speed and telling thrusts of the City in their inspired moments left them at a tremendous disadvantage.

Doherty again took the chief honours and Marshall did much effective work in his usual quiet way, but it was really a triumph in which all the players shared and another example of the excellent team-work which has made the championship possible.

(Continued from Next Column) completed, and yesterday the draw for the European Zone third round was announced, as follows:—

South Africa v. Yugo-Slavia, at Agram.

Italy v. Germany, at Milan.

Czecho-Slovakia v. France, at Prague.

Sweden v. Belgium, at Stockholm.

All four matches will start on June 4 and end on June 6.—Trans-

Ocean and Reuter.

YANKEES BLANK CHICAGO

Athletics Maintain Advantage

New York, To-day.
The following were the results of yesterday's baseball matches:—

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	1	6	2
Pittsburgh	2	6	0

New York	3	8	1
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Ripple hit a homer.

St. Louis	4	9	0
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Mize hit a homer.

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	6	11	3
Washington	7	13	4

Detroit	7	12	1
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English hit a homer.

Philadelphia	8	10	3
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Hayes and Dean hit homers.

Chicago	0	6	1
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New York	4	8	0
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Chandler pitched.

Cleveland	7	12	2
Boston	4	10	3

Fox hit a homer.

TSUI WAI-PUI IN PARIS

Playing With W. C. Choy In Doubles

Paris, To-day.

W. C. Choy and Tsui Wai-pui, the Chinese doubles pair, were leading Journu and Martin Legeay (France) by 4 games to 1 in the first round of the French Tennis Championships yesterday when a terrific thunderstorm prevented further play.

The match will probably be resumed to-day.

Baron Gottfried von Cramm, the German ace, is not competing, as his doctor has advised him to take a rest cure at a German spa before the German Davis Cup match with Italy.

DAVIS CUP

Meanwhile, the second round of the Davis Cup matches has been (Continued in preceding col.)



CORONATION GOLF TROPHY

Draw For K.G.C. Match Play Stages

The following 16 players qualified for the Kowloon Golf Club Coronation Trophy match play stages (first round to be completed by Sunday, May 23, the draw being:—

A. A. Lopes	v.	W. C. Simpson
B. Basto	v.	J. D. Thomson
D. J. N. Anderson	v.	T. D. Paton
A. J. Dennis	v.	J. R. Leitch
R. K. Collings	v.	J. Redman
W. Kershaw	v.	W. Taylor
S. Jex	v.	F. C. Barry
E. C. Fincher	v.	E. M. Hanlon

LATEST DERBY CALL-OVER

Perifox Shortens In Price

LEKSAR DROPS TO THIRD FAVOURITE

London, To-day.

The following is the latest Call-Over for the Derby, to be run at Epsom on June 2:

85 to 20 Perifox.
8 to 1 Cash Book, taken and offered.
9 to 1 Leksar, offered.
10 to 1 Solfo.
100 to 8 Le Grand Duc, taken and offered.
13 to 1 Goya 11, offered, 100 to 7, taken.
20 to 1, The Hour, offered.
22 to 1 Midday Sun, offered, 25 to 1, taken.
25 to 1 Fairford, taken and offered.
25 to 1 Renardo, offered, 28 to 1, taken.
33 to 1 Pascal, taken and offered.

—Reuter.

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POLO PLAYERS' HANDICAPS

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ONLY ONE 10 GOAL PLAYER!

(By R. SHEEPHANKS)

London, April 24.

The preliminary handicap ratings of first-class polo players—those with a handicap of five goals or more—are given below. They represent the Hurlingham handicapping committee's view of last year's form.

The only 10-goal player is Mr. Iglehart, the American international No. 3. Not everyone will agree that he should be rated two goals above Mr. Winston Guest and the England captain and No. 3. Mr. Tyrrell Martin. Next to him, at nine goals, comes another American, Mr. Pedley, the best No. 1 that has been seen since the war.

Of the 10 8-goal players five are Englishmen, three Indians and two Americans. Nine of these will be playing in London this season. Of the 13 7-goal players five come from the British Army and four from America, while Australia and India each supply two, the Australian pair being two of the four Ashton brothers who will be playing in London this season.

NO ARGENTINIANS

The list contains no Argentinians, for the reason that, though Argentine form is equal to that of England, America and India, players from that country have not been seen in England during recent years. The Argentine Polo Federation have invited Hurlingham to send a team to Buenos Aires next winter, and the invitation will be considered at the Hurlingham Club's meeting on May 3.

Finance will, of course, be a difficulty, but if this can be overcome an interchange of visits between this country and the Argentine would be a great benefit to international polo. All followers of London polo still remember the splendid form shown by Mr. Lacey's Argentine side of 1922.

The handicaps are:

10.—S. B. Iglehart (London).
9.—E. Pedley (London).
8.—Rao Raja Abbey Singh (Jodhpur), G. Balding (U.S.A.), Nawab of Bhopal, W. F. C. Guest (U.S.A.), Capt. H. P. Guinness (R. Scots Greys), Rao Raja Hanut Singh (India), E. H. Tyrrell-Martin, H. Hughes (London), Capt. C. T. I. Roark, M. J. Phipps.

7.—G. G. Ashton, and J. H. Ashton (Australia), Lt.-Col. E. G. Atkinson (London), Capt. D. Dawney (10th Hussars), Major C. H. Gairdner (10th Hussars), E. T. Gerry (U.S.A.), E. A. S. Hopping (U.S.A.), Maharaja of Jeypur, J. P. Mills (U.S.A.), Capt. P. B. Sanger (India), R. E. Strawbridge, jun. (U.S.A.), Raj. Kumar Prithi Singh (India), Capt. H. C. Walford (17 Lancers).

6.—Capt. M. P. Ansell (5th Inniskilling D.G.), R. R. Ashton (Australia), Capt. R. A. G. Bingley (11th Hussars), Capt. R. A. Butler (13th/18th Hussars), Henri Couturie (France), Capt. B. J. Fowler (R.H.A.), Capt. W. R. N. Hinde (15th Hussars), Earle Hopping (U.S.A.), A. M. Horsburgh-Porter, Major-General Nawab Khusrul Jung Bahadur



Bob Feller, sensational 18-year-old pitcher with the Cleveland Indians, is caught in New York at the top of his windup, about to whizz one over in the style that observers think is just what the club needs to make it a dangerous contender for League honours.

(Nepal), S. H. Knox (U.S.A.), Capt. W. S. McCreery (U.S.A.), J. T. Mather (U.S.A.), Capt. H. G. Morrison (R.A.), Capt. G. E. Prior-Palmer, S. Sanford (U.S.A.), R. Skene (India and Australia), J. A. E. Traill (London), Capt. C. H. Tremayne (London), Capt. H. P. Tucker (India).

5.—Rao Raja Abbey Singh (Kashmir), Lt.-Col. J. A. Aiglewood (4th D.G.), Lt.-Col. Rev. Allfrey (R.H.A.), Kunwar Amar Singh (India), Capt. F. G. B. Arkwright (12th Lancers), Capt. P. J. Butler (London), Major J. C. Campbell (R.H.A.), Capt. R. B. B. Cooke (17th/21st Lancers), Capt. F. W. Dollar (4th Hussars), Lt.-Col. E. D. Fanshawe (Bays), Major G. H. Fanshawe (Bays), Capt. W. H. Gardiner (India), T. Guy (U.S.A.), Capt. R. G. Hammer (India), Capt. L. H. H. Harris (London), Major J. F. Harrison (London), H. H. Howard (U.S.A.), Brigadier F. B. Hurndall (Tidworth), Maharaja of Kashmir, D. M. Kearney (London), Major T. W. Kirkwood (Ireland), J. Lakin (London), Col. V. N. Lockett (Beaufort), Capt. W. W. A. Loring (Indian Army), Capt. J. L. L. Loting (R. Fusiliers), A. H. McConnell (Black Watch), Lt.-Col. R. L. McCreery (12th Lancers), Capt. J. M. W. Martin (India), Capt. D. C. J. Miller (17th Lancers), Cmdr. Lord Louis Mountbatten (London), Major G. H. Phipps Hornby (London), Marquis de Portago, E. Ranson, J. P. Robinson, Capt. R. B. Sheppard (7th Hussars).

AMAZING BOWLING BY BUTLER

MIDDLESEX LOSE TO SUSSEX

County cricket matches which concluded yesterday, were featured by an excellent bowling performance by Butler, the Notts. professional, who returned the amazing analysis of 8 for 15 to skittle out Surrey for 110 runs in their second innings, after Voce (5 for 76) and Larwood (4 for 36), had dismissed them for 169 in their first knock, to give Notts. victory by six wickets.

Sussex showed promise of great deeds to come when, at Lords, they did very well to beat last year's runners-up, Middlesex, by the comfortable margin of 210 runs.

Gloucestershire had little difficulty in securing the maximum points from Somerset, at Taunton. Goddard and Hammond were in great form with the ball and were largely responsible for Somerset being dismissed for just over the double century mark in both innings. Gloucester, in their first innings, amassed the huge total of 415 for the loss of nine wickets, B. O. Allen, batting very well to score 123.

Yorkshire easily defeated Lancashire by 10 wickets in the "Battle of the Roses," at Old Trafford. Verity, fresh from his triumphs in Australia, proved too much for the Lancastrians and his figures for the match were 10 for 75.

Paynter made a gallant effort to stem the Yorkshire tide in the second knock, and contributed a dour 86 out of 197.

"TICH'S" ABSENCE

The absence of Freeman from the Kent attack, still continues to make itself felt and they met with another defeat, this time at the hands of Hampshire, who won by 211 runs at Southampton.

Two friendly matches were played, the touring New Zealand team meeting with defeat at the hands of Glamorgan. Moloney was the only New Zealander to meet with any success, compiling 85 in his second knock.

At Dublin, the Gentlemen of Ireland beat the Minor Counties by 99 runs. This match was chiefly featured by remarkable bowling by J. C. Boucher, who, in the course of the match, secured 10 wickets for only 45 runs.



Hampshire beat Kent by 211 runs at Southampton.

Hants.—266 (McCorkell 108) and 235 for 7 dec. (Todd 6 for 87).
Kent—133 (Boyes 7 for 55) and 157 (Herman 5 for 53).

Glamorgan beat the New Zealanders by 6 wickets at Cardiff.

New Zealand—235 and 190 (Moloney 85).
Glamorgan—338 (Duckfield 101) and 90 for 4.

Northamptonshire beat Leicestershire on the first innings at Northampton.

Northants.—279 (Geary 6 for 78) and 151.
Leicester—264 (Prentice 127) and 75 for 3.

Yorkshire beat Lancashire by 10 wickets at Old Trafford.

Lancashire—106 (Verity 6 for 32) and 197 (Paynter 86; Verity 4 for 43).
Yorkshire—270 and 35 for 0.

Sussex beat Middlesex by 210 runs at Lords.

Sussex—First Innings 200 (J. Parks 97) and 272.
Middlesex—185 and 77.

Notts beat Surrey by 6 wickets at Nottingham.

Surrey—169 (Voce 5 for 76, Larwood 4 for 36) and 110 (Butler 8 for 15).
Notts—222 and 58 for 4.

The Gentlemen of Ireland beat the Minor Counties by 99 runs at Dublin.

Gentlemen Of Ireland—102 and 179 (Jones 5 for 8).
Minor Counties—69 (Boucher 5 for 22) and 113 (Boucher 5 for 23).

Gloucestershire beat Somerset by 9 wickets at Taunton.

Somerset—219 (Goddard 6 for 65) and 221 (Hammond 6 for 26).

Gloucester 415 for 9 dec. (B. O. Allen 123) and 29 for 1.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

The following is to-day's programme:

Chelmsford—Essex v Surrey.
Hove—Sussex v Northamptonshire.
Birmingham—Warwickshire v Yorkshire.
Manchester—Lancashire v Hampshire.
Leicester—Leicestershire v Glamorgan.
Oxford—Oxford University v New Zealanders.
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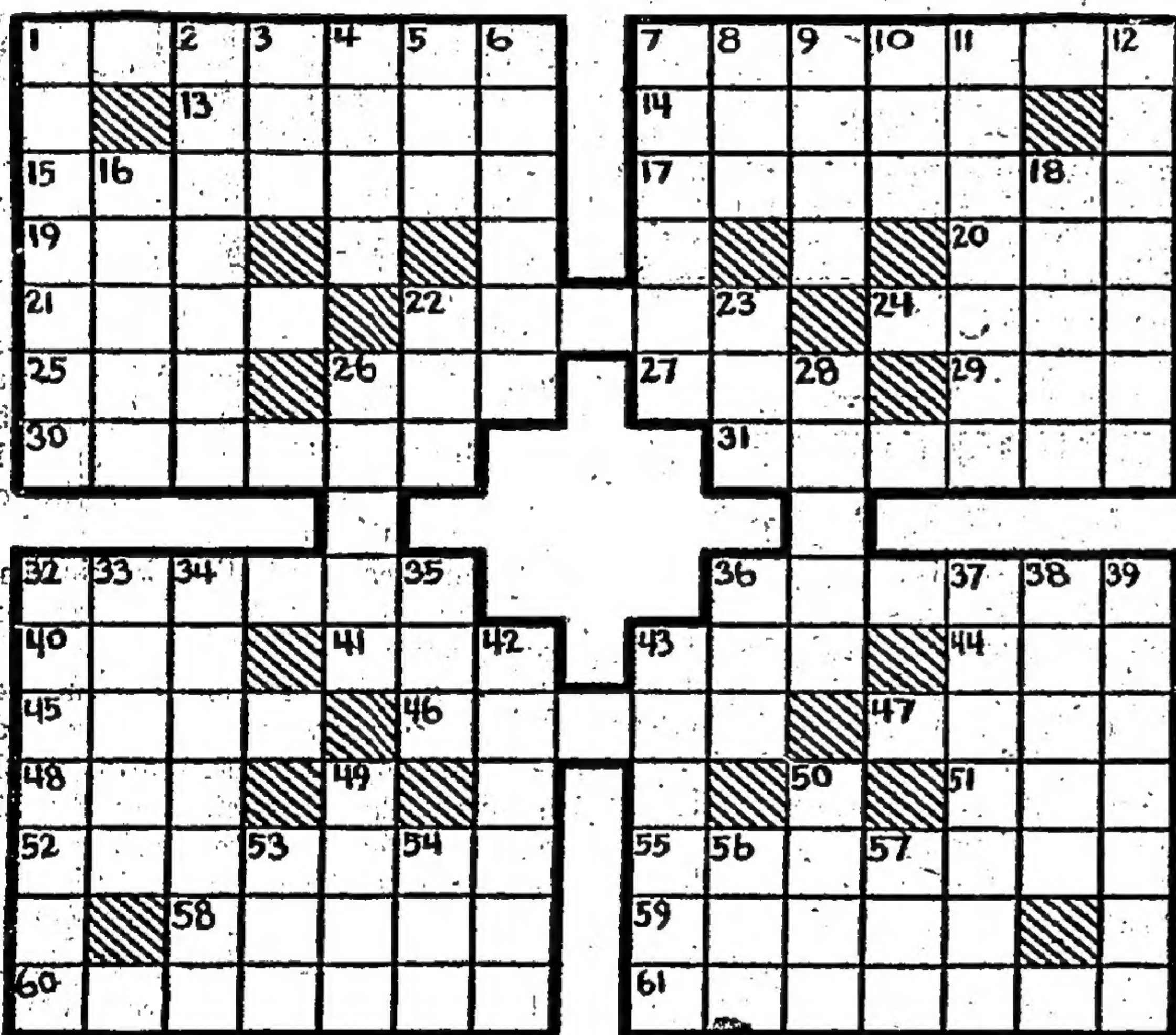
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL
1—Conflict with arms
7—Slumberer
13—Dined
14—Small candle
15—Make better
17—Lovers
19—Ree (Scot.)
20—One hundred two
21—Falsifier
22—Incited
24—To twine
25—Entomology (abbr.)
26—Attempt
27—Speak
29—A compass point (abbr.)
30—Wish
31—To sow again
32—Choose
35—Cuts
40—A compass point (abbr.)
41—It is (contr.)
43—Of age (Lat. abbr.)
44—Snare
45—And others (Lat. abbr.)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
46—Musical study
47—Diminutive suffix
48—Suffix, Footed
51—Wild (Scot.)
52—Full of interstices
55—Dormant volcano in western U. S.
58—Product of pine trees
59—Girl's name
60—Church festival (pl.)
61—Deprived of official rank

VERTICAL

1—Twirled
2—Reiterates
3—Distant
4—Small particle
5—Reverend (abbr.)
6—Vim
7—Gazed fixedly
8—Youth
9—Series of heroic events

VERTICAL (Cont.)
10—Ever (contr.)
11—Accurate
12—Dwelt
16—One of the original thirteen States
18—Flood with water
22—Before
23—June-bug
26—A short treatise
28—Dogma
32—Percolation of fluid
33—Penetrate
34—Commanders
35—Confine
36—Look
37—Records
38—To see again
39—Guided
42—Part of a ship (pl.)
43—Worshipped
49—Otherwise
50—Speak hesitatingly
53—Out (Scot.)
54—Atmosphere
56—A beverage
57—Grecian Island in Mediterranean sea

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

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- Small Scotch Organ
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- Iron Safe and Stand
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- Electric Table Fans
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- Blackwood Teapots
- Blackwood Centre Table
- Gateleg Dining Table
- Teakwood Sideboard
- Large Office Desk
- Small Writing Desk
- Blackwood Writing Desk
- Small Cabinet Victrola
- Table Model Gramophone
- Various China Vases
- Pair Blue Ginger Jars
- Blackwood Service Tray
- Large Bronze Figure
- 21-piece Tea Service
- 12 Cup Coffee Set
- Large Cut Glass Dish
- Cut Crystal Fruit Bowl
- Set Fruit Knives and Forks
- Furnished Doll's House
- Ladies' Dressing Table
- Teakwood Dresser
- Small Teak Wardrobe
- Large Mirror in Frame
- Two Chesterfield Chairs
- Double Bed Box Spring
- Large Wardrobe Trunk
- Hermes Portable Typewriter
- RCA Radio-Gramophone
- Pair Leaded-glass Doors
- Various Wall Pictures
- Chinese Presentation Scroll
- Quantity Old Gramophone Records
- Blue Glass Fruit Dish
- Pair Blue and White Vases
- Small Teak Ice Box
- Small Chest of Drawers
- Large Chest of Drawers
- Large Wall Mirror
- Pair Teak Fern Stands
- Small Teak Book Rack
- Pair Coloured Wall Plates
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Fair Sex Absolved From Blame

Albanian Revolt And Veil

Berlin, To-day.

The fair sex was not, as alleged, the cause of the abortive revolt in Albania, according to the Tirana correspondent of a Berlin newspaper.

First reports had it that the Government decree abolishing the veil had led to the uprising on the part of a section of the population which apparently did not approve of this "modern-fashion."

This was not the case, says the correspondent, who adds that the women of the district where the revolt took place have been without veils for many months.

The revolt was purely political, he says, and was known to the Government, who, however, had not expected it to break out so suddenly.—Trans-Ocean.

MR. EDEN HAS A BUSY DAY

London, To-day.

The Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Anthony Eden, was the guest at luncheon of the Iranian Legation yesterday.

Last night, he dined at Turkish Embassy. In the afternoon, Mr. Eden received at the Foreign Office, Signor Matos, representing the Republic of Guatemala and in continuation of his series of conversations with foreign representatives in London for the Coronation he called at Buckingham Palace where he had an interview with Prince Paul, the Regent of Yugoslavia.—British Wireless.

GERMAN HOLIDAY TRAGEDIES

New Driving Decree Issued

Berlin, To-day.

Driving a motor-car while under the influence of drink will in future be, of itself, a criminal offence, according to a decree issued yesterday, apparently inspired by the unusually large number of road accidents that occurred over the Whitsun holidays.

Any driver suspected of having imbibed too freely will be immediately detained and subjected to a blood test. No bail will be given if the test shows excessive alcohol.—Trans-Ocean.

A dog belonging to Mr. W. F. Stone of No. 8, Ventris Road, bit an amah yesterday afternoon. The servant was treated at the G. C. H. and the dog sent to Kennedy Town for observation.

The Danish supply ship Henrik Gerner and submarines Dryaden, Daphne, Bellona, Rota, and Flora will visit Leith in June.

Mr. George Nobbs, 73, last remaining employee who served under Queen Victoria at Osborne, I.W., has retired.

Miss Elaine Hett, 20, who lost her sight at the age of two, has become an Associate of the Royal College of Music.

DEATH OF AN OLD WOMAN AT TSUN WAN

ALLEGED BRUTAL ATTACK BY "NEPHEW" AND TWO WOMEN

ALLEGED TO HAVE TRAVELLED TO TAIPO MARKET FROM KOWLOON CITY, LATE IN THE EVENING OF FEBRUARY 24 WITH THE EXPRESS PURPOSE OF ROBBING AN OLD WIDOW OF 70 AND, IF NECESSARY, TO USE VIOLENCE TO GAIN THEIR ENDS, A MAN, THE NEPHEW OF THE DECEASED, HIS WIFE AND THE PRINCIPAL FEMALE TENANT IN THE FLAT WHERE THEY ALL LIVED AT KOWLOON CITY, APPEARED AT THE CRIMINAL SESSIONS THIS MORNING, BEFORE HIS HONOUR, MR. JUSTICE R. E. LINDSELL, ON A CHARGE OF MURDER.

The accused are Chan Lo, alias Chan Yuk Lam, 27, Ching Sau Chi, 26, kept woman, and Chan Tsam, 52, married woman.

Mr. T. F. Lo, instructed by Mr. G. S. Ford, is representing the first accused, Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. W. C. Hung, the second accused and Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy, instructed by Mr. W. Keith Robinson, the third.

Mr. E. H. Williams, appearing for the prosecution, said that the murdered woman was a widow aged 70, who lived alone at Tsun Wan Village. She had married a man named Chan, who had died, leaving her childless. Chan's brother had also married and had died without issue. First accused was adopted into the Chan family when he was about two years of age and was considered by deceased as her nephew. She had brought him up from an early age and he had lived in the village for the greater part of his life.

FAILED TO PAY RENT

About six years ago, first accused went to live in Yaumati but made occasional visits to his old home to visit his relatives. Two years ago, he returned with second accused, whom he introduced as his wife. As the villagers had never heard of any marriage ceremony being performed between them, however, she was generally referred to as his "kept" woman. For three months prior to the murder, first and second accused lived in 41 Po Kong Road, Kowloon City, having rented the middle cubicle from the principal tenant, the third accused, for \$2.40 a month.

They paid their first month's rent in advance, some time in November and at that time, first accused, who was working as a seaman, appeared to have quite a lot of money. He lost his job soon afterwards and from that time onward, had great difficulty in even raising enough money for his food and never paid any more for rent.

He was once caught stealing an article of jewellery from a daughter of third accused but stated that he had pawned it and would return it as soon as he could raise some money. On being continually pressed for payment by third accused, first accused made the trip to his village and asked his aunt for assistance. She refused to give him any money and they had words which a passer-by had heard.

FINDING OF BODY

Becoming desperate, it was decided that a final effort would be made to extort money from first accused's aunt even if violence had to be resorted to. Second accused told third accused that if she wanted to get any of this money, she had better make the trip with them, otherwise first accused might get the money and spend it before repaying his debts.

The three of them then made the journey to Taiipo Market, arriving there fairly late in the evening. First accused was recognised by several

people including four village women who spoke to him.

Early the next morning, the body of deceased was found by her sister-in-law, when, as was her custom, she went to the house to rouse her. She was naked from the waist down, her trousers having been drawn down her legs to be fastened round her ankles. Her hands had been tied across her chest and two aprons were tied around her neck, but not sufficiently tightly to obstruct her breathing. The Police were immediately communicated with and A. S. I. Orem was soon on the scene.

RIBS FRACTURED

Medical examination revealed no outward marks which would cause death, although several ribs had been fractured. The cause of death was stated to be shock caused by the fracturing of the ribs and exposure.

All three accused were subsequently arrested in Kowloon City, where it was discovered that first accused had paid off many of his debts and, in addition, had purchased a gold ring.

After statements from all three accused were read to the court, Mr. Williams warned the jury that where robbery with violence was attempted, even if there was no intention of killing all three accused were guilty of murder.

The case is proceeding.

BRIDE OF 12 Takes Snuff And Smokes

America's latest child bride is tobacco-smoking, snuff-taking Geneva Elizabeth, aged twelve, who has married Homer Peel, aged thirty-four, of Epperson, Tennessee, after a courtship by post.

Tennessee authorities announce they will prosecute the couple, for since the Eunice Johns scandal the State has forbidden child marriages.

Geneva, who is a cigarette chain smoker and also enjoys a pipe, says: "Why this fuss?"

She spends hours sitting on her husband's lap. He gives her snuff instead of sweets.

HOLLYWOOD GOES NORMAL

Hollywood film stars are becoming more normal people.

Authority — Mrs. Edmund Lowe, wife of the film actor, who landed in Plymouth with her husband from French liner Ile de France.

Said Mrs. Lowe: "John Barrymore's marriage to Elaine Barrie caused a storm of protest."

"The days of multi-marriages in Hollywood are dying out. The film stars are returning to more normal standards of life."

Mr. Lowe is in England to make a film of Edgar Wallace's play "The Squeaker."

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MURDERED KING RELICS GRIM JUGOSLAV MUSEUM

Prince Paul, the Senior Regent, opened the Yugoslav War Museum in the old Belgrade fortress of Kalemegdan. The collection illustrates the war history of the country from the first Serbian war of independence, at the beginning of the 19th century, to the end of the world war.

Two special rooms are dedicated to the memory of the tragic death of King Alexander, who, with M. Barthou, the French Foreign Minister, was shot by terrorists at Marseilles on October 9, 1934.

At the entrance a catafalque in oak has been erected. On it is the Admiral's uniform which the King was wearing, showing the bullet-holes and many bloodstains.

The pillow on which the King's head rested when he was taken into the Prefecture at Marseilles is also shown. On it are his death mask, which has a perfectly quiet expression, and a cast of his hands.

Close to them the weapons and the ammunition which the murderer used are exhibited. The King's shirt with the traces of his injury and the first dressing applied to his wounds have also been kept.

The second room is hung with the violet silk hangings from the room in the Palace in which his body lay in state. Here the motor-car in which King Alexander and M. Barthou were travelling when they were assassinated is shown.

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